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ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE TOWN OF

NORWAY

1908-1909

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Municipal Officers

OF THE

TOWN OF NORWAY

FOR THE

Year Ending January 31st,

1909

NORWAY, ME.:
ADVERTISER BOOK PRINT
1909

Town Officers

Clerk:
GEO. L. CURTIS

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor:
D. S. SANBORN H. ARTHUR ROBBINS
HARRY F. GREELEAF

Treasurer:
EDWARD C. WINSLOW

Agent:
F. W. SANBORN

Superintending School Committee:
WM. F. JONES GEO. E. TUBBS HERMAN L. HORNE

Superintendent of Schools:
CHAS. P. BARNES

Collector of Taxes:
FRANK E. DeCOSTER

Board of Health:
H. L. BARTLETT, M. D., Secretary F. E. DeCOSTER
DENNIS PIKE

Road Commissioner:
H. W. OXNARD (resigned) GEO. E. WALKER

Trustees of Norway Public Library:

C. F. SMITH
WM. C. LEAVITT } Term expires 1909

B. F. BRADBURY
M. L. KIMBALL } Term expires 1910

M. P. STILES
GEO. A. BROOKS } Term expires 1911

Organization of Board:
President, E. F. SMITH Vice-President D. S. SANBORN
Secretary, W. F. JONES

Inspector of Buildings:
HORACE PIKE

Truant Officer:
GEO. W. LOCKE

Constables:
C. F. BOOBER F. E. DeCOSTER GEO. A. MORSE
E. R. JORDAN W. W. TWOMBLY S. G. HATCH F. P. TOWNE
GEO. A. COLE GEO. F. HATHAWAY E. G. GAMMON
W. A. BICKNELL W. I. RUSS

To the Citizens of the Town of Norway:

Your town officers for the business year 1908 beg to present a statement showing the operations of the several departments during the period named.

Assessors' Report

Valuation of property and number of polls in town as taken April 1st, 1908, and added thereto by supplementary assessments for said year.

Valuation of real estate of resident owners	$901,495 00	
" " " non-resident owners	125,940 00	
Total valuation of real estate		$1,027,435 00
Val. of personal property of resident owners	$269,475 00	
" " " non-resident owners	5,369 00	
Total value of personal property		$274,844 00
Grand total of property taxed in 1908		**$1,302,279 00**
Total property taxed in 1907		**1,291,960 00**
Increase in valuation over 1907		**$10,319 00**

Number of polls taxed, 819. Not taxed, 147.

Poll tax rate, $2.50

Property rate, $20.00 per thousand dollars.

ASSESSMENTS.

For State tax		$3,947 59
County tax		2,258 40
Extinguishment of town debt	$ 500 00	
Contingent fund	1,500 00	
Support of poor	1,500 00	
Interest charges	75 00	
Officers' salaries	2,200 00	
Highways and bridges repairs	3,000 00	
State road permanent improvement matter	164 00	
Snow breaking expense	1,000 00	
Common schools	4,000 00	
Free text-books	550 00	
Repairs on school buildings	400 00	
School Ins., appliances and apparatus	550 00	
Support of free high school	2,250 00	
Instruction in drawing and music	500 00	
Norway Public Library	550 00	
Memorial Day observance	50 00	
New iron bridge	250 00	
Moth pests	150 00	
Road commissioner	500 00	
		$19,689 00
Voted at special meeting for Tucker St. schoolhouse		1,800 00
Overlay in assessing		362 09
Supplementary taxes		36 00
Total committed for year		**$28,093 08**

Abstract from assessors' report to State assessors, year 1908.

LIVE STOCK.

	No. in 1907.	No. in 1908.
Horses	515	518
Colts, three years old	8	13
Colts, two years old	24	22
Yearling colts	19	16
Cows	835	852
Oxen	44	45
3 years old	242	158
2 years old	186	197
1 year old	219	238
Sheep	469	470
Swine	278	314

OTHER PERSONAL PROPERTY.

Value.	1907.	1908.
Bank stock	$20,200	$20,900
Trust Co. stock	1,500	1,500
Water Co. stock	3,100	3,120
Money at interest	44,300	39,600
Automobiles (No. 8)	1,700	2,350
Carriages (No. 196)	4,745	4,235
Stocks in trade	93,850	93,950
Musical instruments	13,090	13,670
Street Railway property	40,300	39,300
Water Co.'s property	30,250	30,250

ABATEMENTS ALLOWED.

YEAR 1901—None.

YEAR 1902—None.

YEAR 1903—None.

YEAR 1904—None.

YEAR 1905—None.

YEAR 1906.

Bebeau, Homer, whereabouts unknown	$2 50	
Bernard, Crockrdt, " "	2 50	
Flanders, George, " "	2 50	
Fifield, H. Eugene, out of State	2 50	
Frost, Robert, " "	2 50	
Hickey, Batholemew, last in Pa	2 50	
Jordan, Fred E	50	
Malouin, Napoleon, never found by collector	2 50	
Richardson, H. F., paid in West Virginia	2 50	
Scott, Chas., never found by collector	2 50	
Soietts, Joseph E., whereabouts unknown	2 50	
Willis, L. F., on court decision	8 50	
		$34 00

YEAR 1907.

Boudoin, Elzard, in Canada	$2 50
Brown, Wm. H., whereabouts unknown	2 50
Currier, John, paid in Paris	2 50
Davis, Chas., never found by collector	2 50
Farrar, Edward E., left before committment of tax	2 50
Flint, Chas. Roland, deceased	2 50
Frost, Arthur W., "	2 50

Frost, Robert, out of state	$2 50	
Frye, James, paid in Paris	2 50	
Gagne, Alexander, in Canada	2 50	
Gray, Walter L., paid in Paris	2 10	
King, Joseph, never found by collector	2 50	
Lemeuix, Chas., claims to be under age	2 50	
Newcomb, Alton A., paid in Naples	2 50	
Robinson, George K., paid in Rockland	2 50	
Tuttle, Robert, minor when taxed	2 50	
Walker, Arthur R., paid in New Hampshire	2 50	
		$42 10

YEAR 1908.

Beaudoin, Paul, under age	$ 2 50	
Berry, Leon G., not taxable	2 50	
Box, Henry, claims to be a minor	2 50	
Boyer, John, claims home in Auburn	2 50	
Dyer, Aubrey, wrong name given	2 50	
Edwards, Roscoe A., paid in N. H.	2 50	
Flint, C. Roland, deceased	2 50	
Frost, Fred S., by vote of town	10 50	
Gray, Walter L., paid in Paris	2 00	
Hillier, Herbert W., deceased	2 50	
Holden, Harry L., confirmed invalid	2 50	
Isaacson, Samuel, paid in Mass.,	2 50	
Lamrock, Mark, heirs of	12 70	
McKay, Hugh F., past 70	2 50	
Norway Building Asso., by vote of town	300 00	
Norway Shoe Shop Co., " " "	200 00	
Potvin, Philip, out of state	2 50	
Sargent, Albert O., deceased	2 50	
Sawyer, H. P., over valuation	6 00	
Tribou, Mrs. F. C., paid in Paris	4 00	
Tuttle, Robert, claims home in Paris	2 50	
Whitman, C. F., and N. D. Bolster, guardians, over value	20 00	
		$590 20
Total abatements allowed for year		$666 30

There is due from Collector Geo. A. Cole, Jan. 31, 1909:

On taxes of year 1900	$ 4 00	
1901	2 86	
1902	22 34	
1903	22 08	

On taxes of year	1904	$ 74 28	
	1905	172 27	
Total amount			$297 83

From Collector F. E. DeCoster:

On taxes of year	1906	$ 45 94	
	1907	244 90	
	1908	775 04	
Total amount			$1,065 88
From both collectors			$1,363 71

Report of

Overseers of the Poor

Town Farm Inventory.

Jan. 31, 1909.

Live stock:			
2	horses	$310 00	
7	cows	210 00	
2	three-year-olds	40 00	
1	yearling	10 00	
2	two-year-old heifers	36 00	
2	shoats	25 00	
47	fowl	28 20	
3	veal calves	15 00	
			$674 20

Hay, Grain and Provisions:			
14½	tons English hay	$380 00	
10	tons brook hay	120 00	
3	bags corn	4 95	
5	bags meal	7 75	
200	pounds mixed feed	3 30	
400	" middlings	6 40	
25	" oyster shells	25	

1	bushel wheat	$ 1 15	
25	pounds grit	25	
55	bushels potatoes	27 50	
12	bushels beans	40 00	
30	pounds fresh pork	3 50	
200	" salt pork	20 00	
15	" lard	1 95	
50	" hams	6 50	
2	bushels beets	1 00	
3	" turnips	1 40	
10	pounds dried apple	1 00	
100	" cabbage	1 50	
35	gallons cider	3 50	
2	barrels flour	11 00	
1	bag table salt	25	
	Tea and coffee	60	
	Spices	70	
1	gallon molasses	45	
	Extracts	2 25	
5	gallons kerosene	60	
10	pounds rendered tallow	50	
26	jars canned fruit	5 20	
	Sugar	70	
35	pounds butter	10 50	
	Soap	35	
2½	dozen eggs	75	
	Ice stored	25 00	
30	bushels ashes	4 50	
⅔	barrel crackers	2 00	
2½	pounds raisins	35	
	Mince meat	1 00	
	Rolled oats	50	
3	quarts syrup	75	
40	quarts string beans	3 00	
			$702 85

Farming Tools and Vehicles:

1	mowing machine	$30 00
15	pounds shingle nails	60
1	fur robe	9 00
1	Paris green sprinkler	1 25
1	force pump	1 25
1	riding wagon	45 00
1	ox-cart	30 00
1	two-horse dump cart	20 00

2	hayracks	$15 00
1	two-horse work wagon	40 00
1	set traverse ox sleds	25 00
	Extra fixtures for same	2 00
1	long horse sled	5 00
1	stone drag	2 00
1	hand sled	1 00
1	wheelbarrow	1 00
2	curry combs and brush	50
1	cable chain	2 50
6	ox chains	6 00
2	trace chains	50
3	whiffletrees	2 00
6	ox yokes and fixtures for two yokes	3 00
2	slip yokes	10 00
1	single harness and extra straps	18 75
1	set double harnesses	20 00
3	halters	2 50
3	horse blankets	7 00
1	set harness, collar, hames, and traces	6 00
	Cow fly oil	60
	Colic cure	90
2	plows	10 00
3	harrows	25 00
2	cultivators	6 00
4	iron bars	4 00
5	hand rakes	1 25
1	drag rake	50
2	flails	50
1	corn cutter	25
4	grass scythes	2 00
8	snaths	2 00
1	grain cradle	50
2	bush scythes and 2 snaths	1 50
3	hoes	50
1	pick	25
2	manure hooks	50
6	manure forks	1 50
7	hay forks	2 50
4	shovels	2 00
2	spades	75
2	scoops	2 00
1	pick hoe	1 00
2	axes	2 00

1	broad axe	$ 1 00
1	sharp axe	50
2	bolt hooks	25
1	ice grapple with extra hooks	1 50
1	ice chisel	25
1	pair ice tongs	1 00
2	peavey picks	2 00
27	tie chains	5 00
2	calf feeders	1 50
2	cow sprayers	50
2	bull staffs	75
1	bull ring	25
1	ladder	1 00
1	grindstone	3 00
1	set tackle blocks	3 00
1	creamer and 10 cans	22 00
5	wood saws	3 50
4	hand saws	1 00
1	cross cut saw	1 25
3	saw sets	2 00
3	hammers	1 00
2	chisels	1 00
1	screw driver	15
3	planes	25
10	augers	2 50
1	steel square	75
2	monkey wrenches	50
1	bit stock	75
11	bits	1 00
1	sledge hammer	75
1	blasting drill	25
1	steel trap	25
1	whitewash brush	25
1	potato digger	60
1	bug death sprinkler	50
1	soldering iron and solder	50
2	sets pincers	30
1	spreader chain	1 75
	Hens oil	45
2	steel wedges	45
1	bell	20
2	whetstones	10
50	ft. rope	2 00
1	large iron claw hook	1 00

10	flour barrels	$ 2 00	
1	horse rake	18 00	
7	M wall shingles	10 50	
150	ft. sawed lumber	2 25	
20	cds. of wood	40 00	
10	cds. dry stove wood	40 00	
8	cds. furnace wood	34 00	
2	pairs sled runners	3 00	
1	drag plank	1 00	
6	wall brackets	3 00	
1	meat barrel	75	
11	meal bags	1 00	
350	bricks	3 85	
4	balls twine	20	
1	hog rack	1 00	
	Hen wire and staples	1 00	
1	whip	1 00	
			$605 90

Household Goods:

1	step ladder	$ 50	
1	clothes horse	25	
15	under beds	7 50	
13	feather beds	48 00	
14	bedsteads	16 00	
34	quilts	40 00	
45	sheets	18 00	
20	pillows	15 00	
65	pillow slips	7 20	
5	pairs blankets	4 50	
1	scarlet and black shawl	1 00	
1	black shawl	50	
1	double gray shawl	3 00	
1	plaid gray and black shawl	1 00	
34	common chairs	5 50	
14	rocking chairs	8 00	
1	tea bell	20	
1	high chair	20	
9	light stands	2 50	
10	chests	5 00	
9	trunks	8 00	
5	bureaus	6 25	
1	spring bed	2 75	
1	valise	1 00	
2	bed spreads	1 00	

13	chambers	$ 4 00
1	iron range, 2 pots, 1 fry kettle, 2 spiders	40 00
3	small stoves	5 75
8	lamps	2 70
2	clocks	4 00
7	tables	15 00
5	mirrors	2 25
3	flat irons	1 00
1	cradle	50
1	desert spoon	05
12	plated spoons	10
20	common spoons	20
5	table spoons	50
2	bread spoons	15
53	plates	3 75
15	cups	1 10
15	saucers	77
22	knives and 34 forks	3 00
10	bowls	1 00
4	nappies	1 75
1	platter	25
11	roller towels	1 50
6	dish towels	42
1	agate basin	10
5	tin basins	17
2	coffee pots	1 00
2	tea pots	1 00
3	stone jugs	75
5	tin pails	1 25
1	doughnut cutter	05
1	agate dipper	15
3	dish pans	1 15
2	tin bumpers	20
5	butcher knives	50
1	carving knife	15
7	stone jars	2 10
2	bean pots	50
4	pitchers	1 50
11	baking tins	80
2	agate kettles	90
2	cake boards and rolling pin	1 50
1	churn	2 00
3	wash dishes	30
10	lard pails	1 50

1	glass set	$ 30
2	chopping knives and one tray	75
2	clothes lines	1 00
2	wash tubs	1 90
2	wash boards	25
2	tunnels	10
4	pairs shears	80
1	rat trap	25
1	tin colander	15
1	sieve	25
3	steamers	75
2	dust pans	10
2	oil table covers	50
1	tin pan	16
8	dozen clothes pins	24
2	mortars	15
2	graters	06
1	soap shaker	03
1	apple parer	30
4	salt shakers	20
2	pepper shakers	10
1	oil can	75
1	cake cutter	05
1	glass molasses pitcher	20
2	pairs steelyards	50
2	brooms	50
9	tumblers	40
1	tin tray	10
1	egg beater	25
2	lanterns	1 50
30	glass jars	2 50
1	knife and fork basket	10
1	hammock	1 00
1	refrigerator	6 00
1	wooden pail	40
2	pint dippers	10
3	pairs tongs	40
2	clothes wringers	5 00
1	corn popper	15
2	fire shovels	10
1	porcelain kettle	40
1	clothes basket	50
10	oatmeal dishes	35
1	tea kettle	90

1 double boiler	$ 90	
1 vinegar cruet	15	
1 bread toaster	15	
1 potato masher	10	
1 skimmer	10	
1 bed pan	1 00	
2 meat grinders	1 25	
1 watch	5 00	
1 telephone	14 00	
2 umbrellas	50	
1 washing machine	7 00	
1 fire extinguisher	13 75	
		$383 55
		$2,366 50

TOWN POOR FARM STATEMENT.

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By Valuation of farm Jan. 30, 1909	$2,000 00	
Personal property invoice	2,366 50	
	$4,366 50	
Birch sold C. B. Cummings & Sons	36 00	
Soft wood " " " "	1,082 20	
Interest added	2 48	
Eggs sold	22 18	
Calves sold	70 33	
Hogs sold	27 70	
Cows sold	130 50	
Cream sold	296 91	
Sweet corn sold	90 94	
Board of Mrs. E. Cummings, 26 weeks	52 00	
		$6,177 74

DR.

To Valuation of farm Jan. 31, 1908	$2,000 00	
Personal property inventory Jan. 31, 1908	2,455 74	
		$4,455 74

Paid	John H. Smith and wife for services to April 1, 1908.		$ 60 00
	D. S. Chaplin, services self and wife to Feb. 1, 1909	$291 70	
	D. S. Chaplin, paid for help	32 00	
	" " supplies bought	12 23	
			$335 93
	Mrs. G. Chaplin, cleaning house		6 00
	V. E. Dunn, use of boar		2 00
	W. H. Austin, labor		5 00
	Clarence Coffin, filing saws		85
	A. D. Campbell, labor		6 50
	F. P. Towne, labor	$ 75	
	F. P. Towne, planting corn	1 50	
			2 25
	W. S. Buck, 2 swine		12 00
	C. A. Frost, labor on buildings		4 25
	A. B. Robbins, repairing tank		8 26
	Maine Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone fixtures		2 50
	Charles E. Hunt, labor in haying		24 50
	Samuel H. Young, meat		9 93
	Hobbs' Variety Store, horse rake	$18 05	
	" " " stove repairs	2 15	
			20 20
	Leonard Flint, labor		5 25
	F. H. Noyes Co., clothing		3 60
	H. J. Bangs, groceries, etc.,		123 59
	E. N. Swett Shoe Co., supplies		9 80
	Harry S. Austin, labor		16 00
	T. B. Doughty, superphosphate		14 45
	H. F. Greenleaf, labor on buildings	$34 75	
	H. F. Greenleaf, mowing machine repairs	75	
	H. F. Greenleaf, telephone repairs	25	
	H. F. Greenleaf, apples	50	
	H. F. Greenleaf, labor on furnace	4 00	
			40 25
	A. C. McCrellis, feed, etc.,		135 90
	John T. Austin, labor in haying	$7 25	
	John T. Austin, use of bull and labor	5 71	
			12 96
	F. P. Morrill, meat		1 44
	W. F. Hobbs, meat		1 58
	V. R. Mills, labor		1 50
	F. D. Knightly, damage by cattle		5 00
	C. L. Hathaway, lumber		6 50

Paid	Wm. C. Leavitt Co., hardware, etc.,	$21 37	
	Wm. C. Leavitt Co., fitting up furnace	18 90	
			$40 27
	G. G. Abbott, labor on building		7 00
	A. D. Kilgore, blacksmithing		65
	James N. Favor, horse goods		12 95
	F. H. Hurd, blacksmithing		2 50
	James Smith Shoe Store		65
	D. W. Goodwin, cutting ice		3 76
	Partridge Brothers, grain and groceries	$212 89	
	Partridge Brothers, Buck bill paid	5 50	
			218 39
	C. B. Cummings & Sons, feed and grain		39 23
	F. P. Stone, supplies		11 81
	James N. Tubbs, groceries		4 46
	E. C. Winslow, groceries		4 94
	O. P. Brooks, provisions		7 02
	J. O. Crooker, hardware		4 52
	C. F. Ridlon, groceries		9 01
	S. J. Record, blacksmithing		20 87
	S. B. & Z. S. Prince, dry goods		14 44
	E. F. Bicknell, groceries		9 20
	F. S. Bubier, cow		20 00
			$5,765 46
Balance in favor of town on this basis			**$412 28**

INMATES AT TOWN FARM JAN. 31, 1909.

Lola Bennett	age 48	Gertrude G. Merrill	age 42
David Holt	age 58	Prentiss Buck	age 58

The Superintendent Daniel S. Chaplin and his wife have shown themselves to be competent managers in their respective departments. He is a good farmer and his wife is a good housekeeper and an excellent manager of people who are "a little peculiar." Their past experience makes their services very desirable.

We found at the time of our last visit that the infliction felt elsewhere of a short hay-crop was plainly evident there. The stock of cattle has been materially lessened for this reason. Conditions have called for repairs during the past year which have amounted to quite a sum of money.

One floor has been laid in the house, some shingling done, a new rollway to the cellar has been built, a new register fitted with new piping, the creamer tank built over and ice-house rebuilt to quite an extent We would call the attention of the town anew to the possible improvement to be found in selling the town farm and procuring one much smaller and less expensive to maintain.

POOR OFF THE FARM.

Expense of Sarah N. King (Soldier's window):		
Paid Town of Dexter (1907)		$96 68
Expense of John C. Hussey:		
Paid A. Descoteau, rent bill	$24 06	
Thomas Smiley, goods	9 90	
		$33 96
Expense of Mrs. Henrietta Hussey:		
Paid F. Howe, rent bill	$72 00	
J. P. Cullinan, wood	46 35	
E. N. Swett Shoe Co., footwear	1 75	
James Smith Shoe Store, footwear	7 25	
F. H. Noyes, clothing	90	
E. F. Bicknell, groceries	2 00	
		$130 25
Expense of Mrs. Anna Onslow:		
Paid Mrs. F. Beaulieu, board	$29 00	
Hospital expense	63 10	
F. P. Stone, medicine	70	
		$92 80
Expense of Mrs. E. Witham:		
Paid Mrs. Starbird for lodging, etc		$ 70
Town Physician:		
Paid L. Hall Trufant, M. D.		$104 16
Expense of Christine Bradbury:		
Paid Maine Insane Hospital		$172 76
Expense of Levi E. Holden:		
Paid Insane Hospital		$ 94
Expense of N. E. York:		
Paid J. Smith Shoe Store, footwear	$4 50	
E. C. Winslow, groceries	4 80	
		$9 30

Expense of C. W. Fogg:		
Paid City of Lewiston	$38 00	
Expense on case	5 76	
		$43 76
Expense of Louville N. Walker:		
Paid Mrs. Rose E. Young board (returned by father)		$18 00
Expense of A. J. Avery (ex-Soldier):		
Paid City of Augusta	$68 49	
For clothing, fares, etc	29 50	
Board, care at McAllister's, Norway	90 83	
J. P. Cullinan, wood	3 00	
		$191 82
Expense of Lockup:		
Paid W. W. Twombly, for care	$35 00	
E. F. Bicknell, crackers	95	
		$35 95
Expense of Neville S. Burnett:		
Paid Thomas Smiley, dry goods		5 96
Expense of Philip Potvin (State pauper)		$27 15
Expense of John Fugere (State pauper):		
Paid Dr. Trufant, medical attendance	$ 6 00	
St. Mary's Hospital	41 00	
		$47 00
		$1,011 19

POOR OF OTHER TOWNS.

Town of Bridgton:		
Paid account of C. C. Dearborn		$ 38 03
Town of Bethel:		
Paid account Geo. E. Buck		20 68
Town of Orono:		
Paid account Ephraim Dubey		32 11
City of Auburn:		
Paid account Annie L. Pierce		6 14
Town of Albany:		
Paid out account C. R. Flint	$62 34	
Account W. E. Flint	33 04	
		$95 38

Town of Fryeburg:		
Paid account Hazen R. Butler		$ 8 70
Town of Mt Vernon:		
Paid account of Alvin M. Gordon		36 30
Town of Turner:		
Paid account F. S. Bubier		18 00
Town of Oxford:		
Paid account David Morse	$29 25	
Account Stephen Robinson	1 25	
		$30 50
Town of Bradley:		
Paid account Fred D. Spencer		12 80
		$298 64
Total amount of orders drawn		**$1,309 83**

Available for poor expenses:

Amount voted March, 1908		$1,500 00
Amount State refunded in case of P. Potvin	$ 27 15	
Paid by Town of Bridgton	41 03	
" Bethel	20 68	
" Orono	28 49	
" Fryeburg	8 70	
" Bradley	12 80	
City of Auburn	6 14	
Town of Mt. Vernon	36 30	
" Albany	86 97	
" Turner	18 00	
" Oxford	29 25	
R. E. Walker (acct. of son)	18 00	
		$333 51
Total amount available		**$1,833 51**
Unexpended balance to contingent fund account		**$523 68**

Due from other towns Jan. 30, 1909:

Oxford, account of Stephen Robinson	$ 1 25
Claim sent to State authorities for aid furnished John Fugere, amount	47 00

As will be noticed A. J. Avery has put our town to great expense. We were ordered to remove him from Augusta where he was found last summer, and we took him to Norway to care for him. He promised to let the town have some of his pension money, of which he draws twenty-four dollars per month from the United States, but he did not keep his promise and has now left town again and we do not know where he is at present.

His settlement is, without doubt, in Norway and he takes full advantage of his privileges as a Civil-war soldier, if *so disposed*, of making a nuisance of himself.

C. W. Fogg has been helped to quite an amount in Lewiston. We finally got a promise from him, in writing, that he would not ask for more help in Lewiston and with the understanding that if he gets into such straitened circumstances again he will expect the town of Norway to remove him and his family to the Norway town farm.

With a few exceptions the poor department has got along very well during the year just closing and the surplus turned into the Contingent fund shows that we could get along with a lessened alowance if so disposed.

Report of Selectmen

Town orders have been drawn for the business year 1908, from No. 11362 to No. 12184, both inclusive $26,410 42

For the following uses:

Support of common schools	$6,259 67	
Repairs on school buildings	556 88	
Free text-books	545 79	
Town officers' salaries	1,795 43	
Town farm	1,309 72	
Support of poor away from farm	1,309 83	
Repairs of highways and bridges	3,345 41	
Snow-breaking	770 70	
Insurance, apparatus and appliances	575 22	
Interest charges	91 87	
Debt	500 00	
Free high school	2,591 50	
Norway Public Library	628 72	
Memorial Day observance	50 00	
Instruction in drawing and music	497 57	
New iron bridge, Greenleaf avenue	270 25	
State road	861 00	
Sarah D. Hawkins estate	5 00	
Tucker St. school building	1,777 19	
Road commissioner	405 00	
Abatements allowed	666 30	
Miscellaneous list	1,597 37	
		$26,410 42

REPORT OF COMMON SCHOOLS.

Balance unexpended Jan. 31, 1908	$1,704 67	
Appropriated Mar. 2, 1908	4,000 00	
State common school allowance	2,998 42	
		$8,703 09
Amount expended to Jan. 31, 1909	$6,259 67	
Unexpended balance	2,443 42	
		$8,703 09

REPAIRS OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

Voted March 2, 1908	$400 00	
From Fire Insurance Co	2 50	
From Tucker St. school building account	22 81	
Overdraft to year 1909	131 57	
		$556 88
Expended to Jan. 31, 1909		$556 88

FREE TEXT BOOKS.

Voted March 2, 1908	$550 00	
Books sold	3 00	
		$553 00
Expended to Jan. 31, 1909	$545 79	
Balance unexpended Jan. 31, 1909	7 21	
		$553 00

SCHOOL INSURANCE, APPARATUS, AND APPLIANCES.

Balance unexpended Jan. 31, 1908	$ 24 57	
Material sold	41 51	
Voted March 2, 1908	550 00	
		$616 08
Amount expended to Jan. 31, 1909	$575 22	
Unexpended balance to Jan. 31, 1909	40 86	
		$616 08

SUPPORT OF FREE HIGH SCHOOL.

Balance unexpended January 31, 1908	$ 305 38	
Voted, March, 1908	2,250 00	
Received for year 1907 from state	125 00	
Tuition money	259 00	
		$2,939 38
Expended to January 31, 1909	$2,591 50	
Balance unexpended	347 88	
		$2,939 38

IUSTRUCTION IN DRAWING AND MUSIC.

Balance unexpended January 31, 1908	$124 06	
Voted March 2, 1908	500 00	
		$624 06
Expended to January 31, 1909	$497 57	
Balance unexpended January 31, 1909	126 49	
		$624 06

TOWN FARM

Expended as per report of Overseers of Poor	$1,309 72

POOR AWAY FROM FARM.

Expended as per report of Overseers of Poor	$1,309 83

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Voted, March, 1908	$3,000 00	
Voted at special town meeting	600 00	
Paid by E. E. Young, for road dirt	60	
Dr. Barker, for road dirt	7 00	
	$3,607 60	
Diverted to State Road account	328 00	
Available, for year		$3,279 60
Expended to Jan. 31, 1909		3,345 41
Overdraft to contingent fund account		$65 81

SNOW-BREAKING BILLS.

Appropriated, March, 1908	$1,000 00
Expended to Jan. 31, 1909	770 70
Balance to contingent fund account	$230 30

INTEREST STATEMENT.

Expended, to Jan. 31, 1909		$91 87
Voted, March, 1908	$75 00	
On timber sold	2 48	
On taxes	2 00	
		$79 48
Overdraft to contingent fund account		$12 39

EXTINGUISHMENT OF TOWN DEBT.

Voted March, 1908	$500 00
Expended to Jan. 31, 1909	$500 00

NORWAY PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Voted March, 1908	$550 00	
Received from State	63 72	
From L. Ellen Frost fund	15 00	
		$628 72
Expended to Jan. 31, 1909		$628 72

MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE.

Appropriated	$50 00
Paid Commander of Harry Rust Post, No. 54, G. A. R.,	$50 00

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES.

Paid	D. S. Sanborn,	selectman,	Feb. 1908,	189	hours			$ 47 25
	" "	"	" Mar.	"	141	"		35 25
	" "	"	" April	"	231	"		57 75
	" "	"	" May	"	220	"		55 00
	" "	"	" June	"	112	"		28 00
	" "	"	" July	"	140	"		35 00
	" "	"	" Aug.	"	119	"		29 75
	" "	"	" Sept.	"	163	"		40 75
	" "	"	" Oct.	"	146	"		36 50
	" "	"	" Nov.	"	119	"		29 75
	" "	"	" Dec.	"	118	"		29 50
	" "	"	" Jan. 1909,		170	"		42 50
								$467 00
	H. Arthur Robbins,	selectman						177 00
	Harry F. Greenleaf,	selectman						181 00
	Chas. P. Barnes,	services as Supt. of schools, (part pay)						218 00
	Edward C. Winslow,	services as town treasurer						50 00
	Geo. L. Curtis,	services as town clerk						20 00
	F. E. DeCoster,	services dog constable '08					$ 20 00	
	" "	" constable, July 3-4					4 00	
	" "	" collector of taxes					416 43	
	" "	" on board of health					8 00	
								448 43
	Geo. A. Cole,	notifying appointive officers					$5 00	
	" "	acting as constable fall election					6 00	
								11 00

Paid	Dr. H. L. Bartlett, secretary of board of health	$ 25 00
	Dennis Pike, member of board of health	10 00
	Horace Pike, inspector of buildings	12 00
	H. L. Horne, services as member school board	25 00
	Geo. E. Tubbs, " " " " '07-'08	50 00
	Wm. F. Jones, " " " "	25 00
	Geo. W. Locke, services as truant officer	50 00
	W. W. Twombly, services as constable	2 00
	Geo. A. Brooks, services as election clerk	6 00
	P. H. Nevers, " " "	6 00
	Geo. H. Dunn, " " "	6 00
	A. L. F. Pike, " " "	3 00
	H. E. Gibson, " " "	3 00
		$1,795 43
Voted March, 1908		$2,200 00
	Unexpended balance to contingent fund account	$404 57

GREENLEAF AVENUE NEW IRON BRIDGE ACCOUNT.

Paid	Canton Bridge Co., for bridge	$225 00	
	H. F. Greenleaf for plank	20 80	
	T. L. Heath, expense on abutments	7 00	
	F. W. Murdock, labor	6 00	
	J. H. Wiles, "	4 70	
	Geo. W. Wood, "	3 50	
	H. P. Sawyer painting bridge	3 25	
			$270 25
Voted March, 1908		$250 00	
Allowance for erecting bridge		11 45	
Balance to contingent fund account		8 80	
			$270 25

STATE ROAD.

Amount transferred from highway account	$328 00	
Voted by town March 1908	164 00	
Received from State	369 00	
		$861 00
Amount expended to Jan. 31, 1909		$861 00

MOTH PEST ACCOUNT.

Voted March, 1908	$150 00
Unused, to contingent fund account	$150 00

THE SARAH D. HAWKINS BEQUEST.

	CR.	
By amount in fund, Jan. 31, 1908	$556 84	
Interest for 1 year to Jan. 31, 1909	16 70	
		$573 54

	DR.	
To paid D. W. Goodwin, care Pike Hill, cemetery	$2 00	
" C. Woodsum, " " " "	3 00	
		$5 00
Balance in fund Jan. 31, 1909		$568 54

MISCELLANEOUS LIST.

Norway Building Association, rent of hall, etc., to Jan. 1, '09		$300 00
Norway Water Co., water for street fountains to Jan. 1, '09		100 00
F. W. Sanborn, printing bill:		
Printing for selectmen's office	$ 23 00	
Town clerk's supplies	5 00	
Four town meeting warrants	11 25	
Making 1,150 reports (1907)	112 00	
Supplies for Road Commissioner	4 50	
Supplies for Tax Collector	14 25	
Printing in Willis suit	7 00	
50 checklists	15 50	
Bids for road building	1 50	
		$194 00
Selectmen's office, expense, including postage, registry fees, telephone charges, etc	$18 56	
Blank books for Assessors' use	32 33	
Geo. M. Donham for Maine Register	2 00	
F. P. Stone for stationery, etc	4 10	
F. S. Gammon, wood	5 00	
Geo. H. Bennett, sign for office door	1 50	
Cleaning office	2 61	
		$66 10

Dr. A. N. French, reporting vital statistics, 1907		$ 75
Dr. D. M. Stuart, reporting vital statistics, 1907		1 00
Dr. L. H. Trufant, reporting vital statistics, 1908		6 00
Dr. H. L. Bartlett, reporting vital statistics, 1908		7 50
Dr. F. N. Barker, reporting vital statistics, 1908		8 00
Geo. L. Curtis, recording vital statistics, 1908		25 20
Geo. L. Curtis, insurance on school boiler (policy returned)		30 00
Geo. L. Curtis, insurance on town clock		11 10
Geo. L. Curtis, insurance on lockup		8 25
Geo. L. Curtis, insurance on storehouse		5 63
Geo. L. Curtis, Town Treasurer's bond, 1908		18 00
Town Clerk, office supplies		5 79
Co. D, 2d Reg. M. V. M. target	$91 93	
Co. D, 2d Reg. M. V. M. lockers	40 40	
Co. D, 2d Reg., paid M. Klain range rent	40 00	
		$172 33
Recording tax deeds, paid E. C. Winslow	$1 50	
Tucker street schoolhouse deed	50	
		$ 2 00
Tax deeds sale, Feb. 1908		42 89
H. W. Oxnard, services on Millett road		3 00
T. H. Sawin, caring for Witherell Park		10 00
R. K. Morrill, building new road in "Yaggar" neighborhood		175 00
For fighting forest fires on Young farm		3 00
Miller and Mayo, plan of proposed building		20 00
A.S. Kimball, services as moderator, 1908		5 00
Harry E. Lovejoy, distributing town reports		3 50
Stamps for town reports		6 00
Teams for Supt. of schools		26 55
Teams for selectmen's use, O. M. Cummings	$12 00	
" " " F. L. Starbird	2 75	
		$ 14 75
Otto Schnuer, care of town clock	$20 00	
" " oil furnished	85	
		$20 85
D. W. Goodwin, caring for Pike Hill cemetery		3 00
Wm. F. Jones, treas., care of Buck lot, Pine Grove cemetery		4 00
C. Woodsum, care of Rustfield cemetery, 1908		6 00
Court cost, Willis case		43 71
A. E. Stiles, special police, July 4		4 00
L. Jordan, " " "		4 00
E. P. Lovejoy, " " "		4 00
E. R. Jordan, " " "		4 00

W. H. Sanborn, special police, July 4		$ 4 00
F. H. Stevens, " " "		4 00
T. W. Anderson, " " "		4 00
S. G. Hatch, " " "		2 00
E. P. McAllister, " " Fair time		4 00
L. Jordan, " " "		4 00
Joshua Yeaton, " " "		4 00
F. P. Town, land damage		100 00
Fred Kilgore, damages on highway	$12 15	
C. H. Dunn, " "	1 45	
		13 60
Election officers expenses in September	$2 15	
" " " November	1 75	
		3 90
W. W. Twombly, caring for election booths Sept.	$2 00	
" " " " " Nov.	2 00	
" " tending gate in Nov	2 00	
		6 00
J. O. Crooker, expense on election booths		1 32
Mr. Hosmer, taking assessors over Pennesseewassee Lake		1 50
W. F. Jones, professional services		11 50
Board of Health, F. P. Stone supplies	$5 42	
" " F. Kimball	1 00	
		6 42
H. H. Cole leading cow to Norway Lake		50
C. S. Akers 500 stamped envelopes		10 62
E. C. Winslow, postage paid		36
J. B. Frost, labor on water tub		6 20
F. P. Towne, " " "		4 15
Fred R. Hill, " " "		3 00
C. B. Cummings & Sons, cement for water tub		90
Chas. E. Gilbert, water and care for tub on Water Street		6 00
Allard & Moulton, water tub on Bridge street		2 50
F. S. Gammon, water tub, year 1908		3 00
L. A. Millett, sprinkling streets		25 00
		$1,597 37

ROAD COMMISSIONER'S SALARY.

Voted March 2, 1908		**$500 00**
Paid to January 31, 1909	$405 00	
Due March, 1909	95 00	
		$500 00

CONTINGENT FUND.

DR.

To balance from year 1907	$ 373 18	
Voted March 2, 1908	1,500 00	
Insurance premium returned	30 00	
From Town Farm account	412 28	
State road allowance, year 1907	200 00	
State refund on dog tax	152 90	
Rent of armory	100 00	
R. R. and telegraph tax adjustment	78 90	
From poor account	523 68	
Pool room license	10 00	
Pop-corn license	5 00	
Merry-go-round license	7 00	
Check-list sold	1 00	
From snow-breaking account	229 30	
From officers' salaries account	404 57	
From moth pest account	150 00	
Overlay on 1908 taxes	362 09	
Tax deeds sold	66 19	
		$4,606 09

CR.

By Miscellaneous list	$1,597 37	
Abatements allowed	666 30	
From highways and bridges account	165 81	
From interest account	12 39	
From iron bridge account	8 80	
Balance in fund Jan. 31, 1909	2,155 42	
		$4,606 09

FUNDS HELD IN TRUST.

Mary A. Buck fund, amount		$300 00
Paid Pine Grove Cemetery Association for care, year 1908	$4 00	
Sarah D. Hawkins fund, amount Jan. 31, 1909		$568 54
The L. Ellen Frost fund:		
Amount secured by real estate mortgage	$500 00	
Deposited in Norway Savings Bank	232 58	
		$732 58

The principal of this fnnd is invested at 6 per cent., one-half of which earnings is turned over to the support of the Norway Public Library, and the other half is deposited in the Norway Savings Bank under the terms of the trust.

(Total amount of fund Jan. 31, 1909.....$732 58)

Note:—(The Buck fund has heretofore been carried at $500 00 by mistake.

Total amount of funds held by town.....$1,601 12

TAX DEEDS HELD BY TOWN, JAN. 31, 1909.

Name	Date of Deed	Premises	Tax and cost	Amt. due Int. at 6 per cent
Sarah A. Clement,	June 26, 1894	Homestead	$ 5 77	$11 83
" "	May 25, 1895	"	6 37	12 20
John L. Horne,	May 27, 1896	Hathaway Land	13 53	14 34
" "	May 17, 1896	" "	4 54	4 72
S. G. Richardson,	Dec. 6, 1898	Homestead	5 51	8 83
" "	Dec. 3, 1902	"	6 57	9 36
Mrs. L. M. Cox,	Dec. 7, 1899	"	15 30	24 85
" " "	Dec. 3, 1900	"	18 37	28 57
" " "	Dec. 5, 1901	"	18 25	27 09
" " " hrs. of	Dec. 9, 1903	"	10 75	14 30
" " " "	Dec. 21, 1905	"	15 09	18 09
" " " "	Dec. 6, 1906	"	13 58	15 23
" " " "	Dec. 4, 1907	"	13 90	14 73
" " " "	Feb. 5, 1908	"	15 23	16 15
Elmer T. Dunn,	Dec. 5, 1901	Homestead farm	10 63	15 91
" "	Dec. 7, 1903	" "	10 62	14 32
Nathan E. York,	Dec. 4, 1907	" "	4 04	4 28
Horace E. Andrews,	Dec. 4, 1907	Lot on L. shore	3 60	3 81
Levi Frost,	Feb. 5, 1908	Homestead	11 01	11 67
John Fourier,	Feb, 5, 1908	House lot	3 42	3 62
				$273 90

FINANCIAL STANDING OF TOWN.

RESOURCES.

Cash in hands of E. C. Winslow, town treasurer$8,505 54

Due from Geo. A. Cole, col. years 1900 to 1905 inclusive..... 297 83

Due from F. E. DeCoster, col. year 1906	$ 45 94	
" " " " 1907	244 90	
" " " " 1908	775 04	
Town of Oxford	1 25	
Amount of tax deeds as per statement	273 90	
The L. Ellen Frost securities	732 58	
Due from State on free high school allowance year 1908	250 00	
		$11,126 98

LIABILITIES.

Amount of 3½ per cent. schoolhouse bonds, series of 1899	$1,000 00	
Due common school account	2,443 42	
Free high school account	347 88	
Free text books account	7 21	
Drawing and music account	126 49	
Insurance, apparatus and appliances	40 86	
Amount of funds held in trust	1,601 12	
Estimated current bills outstanding	400 00	
		$5,966 98
Balance in favor of town		$5,160 00
Balance in favor of town in 1907		3,393 42
Gain over last year		$1,766 58

TOWN FARM PROPERTY.

Farm valuation	$2,000 00	
Farm personal property	2,366 50	
		$4,366 50

So far as the selectmen are concerned the business of the town has run very smoothly. Collector DeCoster by his industry and persistence has kept the treasury well supplied with money, so much so, in fact, that the treasurer has been able to take up the $600.00 loan negotiated last fall to obtain means to keep the highways in repair. There is a balance in the contingent fund account amounting to $2155.42 which would seem to preclude the necessity of raising any money for this account at the coming annual meeting. In-as-much as the Willis tax case has been settled though adversely to our town we proffer explanation showing how the suit originated, how carried on, etc.

Mr. Willis refused payment on tax assessed on his portable sawmill and the following extract from the laws of Maine was deemed sufficient to justify the making of the tax.

"All personal property employed in trade, in the erection of buildings or vessels, or in the mechanic arts, shall be taxed in the town where so employed on the first day of each April; provided, that the owner, his servant, sub-contractor or agent, so employing it, occupies any store, shop, mill, wharf, landing place or ship yard therein for the purpose of such employment."

It had been the practice of our town to tax property of this description and one tax in particular made since the assessment of the Willis tax was paid without protest. The collector was informed by able counsel that such tax was collectable by legal process in his judgment. The matter was taken to the supreme court by agreement of counsel with the result as herein recited. It seems that no case exactly like this was ever reported in the Maine court reports. We would further state that the managing attorney made no charge for his services.

Perhaps the expenditure for blank books for assessors' use may seem large. One item, the purchase of order record book, at a cost of thirteen dollars tended largely to swell the amount, but we feel justified in making the purchase of a strong book for the reason that our old cheap order books are mostly out of binding caused by almost incessant handling.

We would recommend that as there will be no necessity of appropriating any money for the contingent fund account a little more should be raised for highway and bridge repairs. We would again tender thanks to the citizens of the town for a continuation of their interest and needed assistance in the performance of our public duties and respectfully submit this report for their information and consideration.

D. S. SANBORN,
H. ARTHUR ROBBINS,
HARRY F. GREENLEAF,
} *Selectmen of Norway.*

Norway, Me., Jan. 30, 1909.

Treasurer's Report

E. C. Winslow, Treasurer of Norway.

To Rec'd	E. C. Winslow Treas., 1907, cash....	$6,613 03
	24 tax deeds (value to Treas.).....	16 40
	Sale tax deeds.....	66 19
	Billiard license.....	10 00
	Amt. returned on insurance premium.	30 00
	Eugene McKeen, Merry Go Round license.....	7 00
	Harry Bridges, pop corn license....	5 00
	G. L. Curtis, account dog tax.....	255 00
	D. S. Sanborn, account Frost Fund..	15 00
	D. S. Sanborn, acct. erection bridge.	11 45
	Highway note.....	600 00
	E. E. Young, account dirt sold.....	60
	F. N. Barker, M. D., acct. dirt sold..	7 00
	D. S. Sanborn, acct. check list sold..	1 00
	C. P. Barnes, tuition.....	259 00
	C. P. Barnes, books sold.....	3 00
	C. P. Barnes, repairs.....	2 50
	C. P. Barnes, appliances sold.....	41 51
	H. J. Bangs, produce from farm...	10 19
	C. F. Ridlon, " " " ...	1 90
	E. C. Winslow, " " " ...	2 40
	Partridge Bros., " " " ...	6 12
	E. F. Bicknell, " " " ...	1 57
	C. B. Cummings & Sons, timber from town farm.....	1,120 68
	Calves sold from farm.....	70 33
	Cows " " "	130 50
	Sweet corn " " "	90 94
	Cream " " "	296 91
	Hogs " " "	27 70
	Board from G. W. Devine.....	52 00
	City of Auburn.....	6 14

To Rec'd	Town Bridgton	$ 41 03	
	" Bethel	20 68	
	" Orono	28 49	
	" Fryeburg	8 70	
	" Bradley	12 80	
	" Mt. Vernon	36 30	
	" Oxford	35 75	
	" Albany	86 97	
	" Turner	18 00	
	D. S. Sanborn acct. R. E. Walker	18 00	
	State acc't free high school	125 00	
	" " refunded on dog tax	152 90	
	" " public library	63 72	
	" " support state paupers	27 15	
	" " railroad and telegraph tax	78 90	
	" " rent of armory	100 00	
	" " soldiers' pensions	468 00	
	" " refunded on state road	369 00	
	" " state road, 1907	200 00	
	" " school fund and mill tax	2,998 42	
	Geo. A. Cole, coll., 1903 $10 75		
	" " " 1904 9 41		
	" " " 1905 33 04		
		$53 20	
	F. E. DeCoster, coll, 1906 $ 66 74		
	" " " 1907 374 93		
	" " " 1908 27,318 04		
	" " " int 2 00		
		$27,761 71	
			$42,465 78

CR.

By Paid	Soldiers' State pension	$ 468 00	
	Deficiency on dog tax, 1907	8 00	
	State treasurer, dog tax	255 00	
	State tax	3,947 59	
	County tax	2,258 40	
	823 town orders	26,410 42	
	Highway note	600 00	
	20 tax deeds (value to Treas.)	12 83	
	Cash	8,505 54	
			$42,465 78

This is to certify that we have this day examined the books, accounts and foregoing report of E. C. Winslow, treasurer of the town of Norway, and find the same correct and hereby approve the same.

D. S. SANBORN,
H. ARTHUR ROBBINS,
HARRY F. GREENLEAF,
Selectmen of Norway.

Norway, Jan. 30, 1909.

UNPAID TAXES.

Year 1900.

Curtis, John C.,	$ 2 00
Saunders, F. V.,	2 00

1901.

Morey, Chas. R.,	$ 2 86

1902.

Beaulieu, George,	$ 50
Burt, Fred M.,	2 50
Cox, Mrs. L. M., heirs of,	9 49
Proctor, Fred G.,	74
Washburn, Calvin L.,	5 65

1903.

Boulette, Joseph,	$ 2 50
Cooper, M. L.,	85
Cox, Mrs. L. M., heirs of	1 30
Kilgore, Herbert E.,	2 50
Millett, Justus I.,	1 87
Pingree, O. F.,	1 80
Proctor, Fred G.,	2 50
Rowe, Melvin A.,	2 50
Washburn, C. L.,	47
Watson, E. E.,	2 50
Wheeler, Robert I.,	2 50

1904.

Andrews, Perley,	$ 2 50
Cole, H. D.,	3 40
Cotton, W. F.,	2 50
Cox, L. M.,	2 95
Cross, Ned C.,	77
Edwards, Jesse L.,	2 50
Grant, James	2 50
Horner, Charles	2 50
Jewett, Stephen B.,	2 50
Kilgore, H. E.,	2 50
Kneeland, Warner	3 53

Knipe, Gecard	$2 50
Knipe, Joel	2 50
Millett, J. I.,	7 70
Pingree, O. F.,	2 50
Richardson, Herbert	2 50
Richardson, Geo. M.,	2 50
Spears, Geo. E.,	2 50
Tibbetts, F. M.,	2 50
Walker, Adelbert C.,	3 40
Wentzel, Charles	2 86
Wheeler, Robert I.,	2 50

1905.

Adams, Freeland	$5 39
Andrews, Perley	2 50
Beaulieu, George	2 50
Bennett, Charles F.,	2 50
Bisson, Marcais	2 50
Black, Herbert N.,	2 50
Brown, W. F.,	2 84
Bubier, Frank S.,	50
Chase, Harry G.,	3 55
Clark, Hiram	3 69
Cole, H. D ,	2 50
Cotton, Wm. F.,	2 50
Cox, L. M.,	2 84
Cross, Ned C.,	2 50
Currier, John	1 50
Decoteau, Philip	1 18
Dellia, Daniel	2 50
Desmond, W. P.	2 50
Dwinal, Maynard	2 50
Flint, L. W.	2 50
Gammon, Eddie S.	2 50
Golden, Thomas J.	2 50
Horne, C. W.	3 17
Howe, John	2 50
Jackson, Foster	2 50
Jewett, S. B.	2 50
Kenerson, Aaron H.,	3 78
Knipe, Joel	2 50
Knipe, Warren	2 50

Larochelle, Joseph	$2 50
Lawrence, Charles	2 50
Mayhew, John D	2 50
McAllister, Philip	50
Millett, Justus I	8 53
Monroe, Jack	2 50
Morgan, Irving R	2 50
Moriarty, Morris	2 50
Morse, Harry A	2 50
Newcomb, H. S	2 50
Norseworthy, Arthur	2 50
Purington, W. W	1 75
Richardson, Herbert	2 50
Shorey, Phillip	2 50
Small, L. M	2 50
Smith, Jerome B	2 50
Soirtts, Joe E	2 50
Spears, Geo. E	2 50
Stevens, Elden W	3 27
Stiles, Orin P	2 50
Stiles, Frank W	2 84
Tibbetts, Frank M	3 69
Truman, Lamont D	2 50
Walker, Elbridge G	2 50
Walker, Adelbert, C	2 50
Walker, Guy	2 50
Wentzel, Charles	2 84
Woodbury, F. W	2 50

1906.

Amnot, Wilfred	$2 50
Andrews, Perley	2 50
Ayers, John S	2 50
Bennett, Chas. F	2 50
Cotton, Wm. F	2 50
Fogg, Chas. W	2 50
Goddard, Bert	2 50
Kehoe, Wm	2 50
Jewett, Stephen B	2 50
Hobbs, Wm. H	4 57
Lefarriere, Anthoine	2 50
Maddocks, B. W	2 50

Morey, Elden	$2 50
Morey, Alexander	2 50
Ruel, Archille	2 50
Spearing, James B	2 50
Truman, W. Scott	2 35
Wilson, Louis B	2 50
Taylor, B. J	50
Walker, Adelbert	77

1907.

Allen, Arthur F	$ 4 50
Banville, Joseph	2 50
Bennett, W. S	2 50
Bennett, Susan A	105 00
Bennett, Charles F	2 50
Benoit, Domino	2 50
Brooks, Chas. W	2 50
Brown, Joel W	2 50
Burnett, Neville S	2 50
Butters, Albion L	2 50
Carnes, Frank W	2 50
Chase, Harry G	3 55
Cotton, Wm. F	2 50
Crockett, Chas. H	2 50
Cross, Ned G	2 50
Dyer, Bertrand A	2 50
Fourier, John	2 50
Grodsky, Max	2 50
Jackson, A. Foster	2 50
Lefarriere, Anthoine	2 50
McKenney, George	2 50
Meader, Ellsworth	2 50
Millett, Justus I	14 53
Palm, Organa	2 50
Rowe, Henry M	2 50
Saleeby, George	2 50
Sanborn, A. L. & Co	31 50
Spears, Fred A	92
Staples, A. H	2 50
Stiles, F. W	2 50
Stiles, Orrin	2 50
Tripp, Wendall	50

Waldo, Fred D	$ 2 50
Witham, George W	2 50
Yates, Estes	5 13
Thompson, D. F	90

1908.

Ames, Geo. M	$ 2 50
Beaulieux, Felix	2 50
Booth, William H	50
Brooks, Charles W	2 50
Brooks, Ernest	2 50
Brown, Cleveland	4 50
Buck, Geo. E	2 50
Burnett, Neville S	2 50
Burt, Fred M	2 50
Buteau, Alphonso	2 50
Chase, J. K	2 00
Chase, Harry G	3 50
Churchill, Walter	2 50
Couture, Joseph	2 50
Cox, Lindor M	3 28
Cragin, Mrs. Susan M	2 00
Crockett, Levi	2 50
Crockett, Charles H	2 50
Cross, Ned G	2 50
Curtis, Arthur L	3 40
Cushman, Herbert L	2 50
Davis, Henry F	2 50
Decoteau, Philip	2 50
Dellia, Daniel	2 50
Downey, Joseph	50
Dubey, Ephraim	2 50
Dyer, Bertrand A	2 50
Edgecomb, Orrin A	3 50
Fogg, Charles I	2 50
Francis, Charles Y	2 50
Frost, Winslow A	1 50
Frost, Levi	2 50
Fuller, Frank G	2 50
Gammon, Edwin S	2 50
Gammon, William V	2 50
Gammon, M. Franklin	2 50

Gibbins, Chester L	$ 2 50
Gordon, Alvin M	3 00
Gordon, Lester V	2 50
Harris, Hannah, Trustee Est. of	4 00
Hobbs, Weston S	2 50
Holmes, Annie L	7 50
Holt, Charles P	2 50
Horne, William C	1 52
Horne, Chester W	2 50
Howe, Geo. R	10 00
Jordan, Llewellyn	50
Kenerson, George A	2 50
Kenerson, John M	2 50
King, John H	2 50
Knapp, Frank P	2 50
Labossiere, Edmund	2 50
Laferriere, Anthoine	2 50
Lemieux, Sammy	2 50
Lane, Harry	50
Latimer, Frank	2 50
Libby, Adelbert E	50
Lindblom, Victor,	2 50
Linnell, William O	2 50
Locke, Paul	3 50
Lyons, Ed	2 50
Marston, George L	2 50
Marston, James E	5 06
Mason, Victor M	2 50
McAllister, Philip H	2 50
McGray, Philip	2 50
McKay, John G	2 50
McKeen, Loren G	2 50
Meader, Ellsworth	2 50
Millett, Justus I	9 10
Millett, Lewellyn A	5 62
Millett, Jerome	2 50
Millett, Eugene D	13 06
Montreil, Luc	2 50
Moore, William	2 50
Moore, Frank A	1 00
Morrill, Frank P	2 36
Murphy, William D	2 50
Noble, William M	2 50
Noyes, Frank W	63 78

Oelrich, Chester S	$ 2 50
O'Keefe, Henry	2 50
Osgood, R. S	2 50
Palm, Oscar G	2 50
Perreault, Edward	2 50
Pike, Mark A	2 50
Pike, Frank L	2 50
Pratt, Herbert E	2 50
Pride, Walter H	8 50
Prince, John W	80
Rich, Edwin	8 40
Rich, Odell C	2 50
Richardson, Frank H	2 50
Richards, Ellis	2 50
Richardson, Herbert F	2 50
Rowe, Enoch J	2 50
Roy, Aulin	3 00
Roy, John	2 50
Roy, Joseph E	2 50
Sampson Andrew T	2 50
Scribner, Alvin C	11 50
Seavey, Harold A	2 50
Shackley, Eben	2 50
Staples, A. H	2 50
Stevens, Frank H	4 50
Stevens, Don W	2 50
Stevens, Walter H	2 50
Stevens, Elden W	3 70
Stiles, Frank W	2 50
Stiles, Andrew E	2 50
Stiles, Orrin P	2 50
Swan, Eli J	5 00
Templeton, Lee M	2 50
Tower, Frank E	2 50
Tower, Karl L	2 50
Tripp, Wendall H	2 50
Truman, Burton B	3 90
Truman, Walter Scott	2 50
Truman, Lamont D	2 50
Tubbs, Geo. T	2 50
Tyler, Alonzo L	5 50
Vallaincour, Henry	2 50
Walker, Elbridge G	2 50
Walker, Willis A	50

Walker, John	$ 2 50
Walker, Adelbert	3 00
Walker, Guy L	2 50
Wallace, Augustus H	2 90
Ward, Clement E	2 50
Webber, Geo. H	2 50
Whitehouse, Walter V	2 50
Wood, Herbert S	6 50
Woods, Joseph A	2 50
Yeaton, Stephen O	2 50
York, Nathan E	2 50
Young, Walter P	4 00
Young, Asa A	2 50
Trask, Ralph I	2 50
Collins, Ralph	2 50
McKay, William F	2 50

Road Commissioner's Report

G. E. WALKER'S REPORT.

Summer.

H. W. Truman	$ 6 00
N. F. Truman	6 75
A. Brickett	2 80
L. A. Millett	21 40
M. E. Kimball	15 13
E. D. Millett	18 00
F. P. Towne	8 65
C. E. Freeman	16 50
C. A. Pride	4 40
C. L. Hathaway	5 98
C. B. Cummings & Sons	20 92
E. Shackley	1 20
J. Brown	50
I. H. Wiles	1 60
Orin Brown	1 50
A. G. Lovejoy	19 50
A. T. Crooker	1 50
C. A. Whitney	1 20
Wm. C. Leavitt	2 73
J. O. Crooker	3 14
C. W. Horne	1 80
F. P. Stone	75
Total	$161 95

Turned in to treasurer:

F. N. Barker, street scraping	$7 00
E. Young, " "	60

Warrant for Town Meeting

To F. W. Sanborn, a citizen of the town of Norway, in the County of Oxford and State of Maine, Greeting:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town of Norway qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at Norway hall in said Norway, on Monday, the 1st day of March next at 10 o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles, to wit:

Art. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside over said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.

Art. 3. To choose a Board of Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor, a Town Treasurer, Town Agent, a Member of the Board of Superintending School Committee, two Trustees of the Norway Public Library, a Tax Collector, and all other necessary town officers for the ensuing year, with the exception of a Road Commissioner.

Art. 4 To see if the town will vote to exempt a New Grange hall from taxes.

Art. 5. To see if the town will vote to allow some remuneration to the Treasurer of Norway Public Library for his services.

Art. 6.. To see if the town will vote to exempt the taxes against Mrs. J. E. Budden.

Art. 7. To see what per cent. the town will vote to pay for collecting taxes for the ensuing year.

Art. 8. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the extinguishment of the town debt.

Art. 9. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for a contingent fund for the ensuing year.

Art. 10. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the support of the poor for the ensuing year.

Art. 11. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to pay interest charges for the ensuing year.

Art. 12. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for town officers' salaries for the ensuing year.

Art. 13. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the repairs of highways and bridges for the ensuing year.

Art. 14. To see if the town will vote "yes" or "no" upon the adoption of the provisions of Chapter 112 of the Public Laws of Maine, for the year 1907, relating to the appropriation of money necessary to entitle the town to State aid for highways for the year 1909.

Art. 15. To see if the town will raise, appropriate and set apart for the permanent improvement of main highways within the town, such sum of money as is contemplated and directed by Section 5 of Chapter 112 of the Public Laws of Maine for the year 1907, being the sum of $170.50.

Art. 16. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to pay snow-breaking bills of the winter of 1908 and 1909.

Art. 17. To see if the town will grant and raise the sum of $300 for repairs on Pierce, Swift and Noble schoolhouses.

Art. 18. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for repairs of the high schoolhouse boiler.

Art. 19. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the support of the common schools for the ensuing year.

Art. 20. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to be expended for free text books for the ensuing year.

Art. 21. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for repairs on school buildings for the ensuing year.

Art. 22. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to be expended for insurance on school property, and for apparatus and appliances for the ensuing year.

Art. 23. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the support of a free high school for the ensuing year.

Art. 24. To see if the town will instruct the Superintending School Committee to maintain a school in Crockett Ridge and Millettville neighborhoods or either of them for the ensuing year.

Art. 25. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for instruction in music and drawing in common schools of twenty-five pupils or more for the ensuing year.

Art. 26. To see if the town will vote to authorize its Superintending School Committee to join with either or any of the following towns, to wit: Paris, Oxford, Otisfield, Harrison or Waterford for the purpose of employing a superintendent of schools in accordance with the provisions of Sections 40 to 45, inclusive, of Chapter 15, of the Revised Statutes.

Art. 27. To see if the town will vote to pay the deficit in Repairs Account in the school department for the year last past, out of the surplus of common school funds raised in 1908.

Art. 28. To see if the town will vote to accept the highway as laid out by the selectmen Oct. 8, 1908, on petition of A. J. Millett and others, and provide means to build the same.

Art. 29. To fix upon the compensation the Superintendent of Schools shall receive for his services.

Art. 30. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the support and maintenance of the Norway Public Library for the ensuing year.

Art. 31. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for Memorial Day observance, for the ensuing year, to be expended by Harry Rust Post, No. 54, G. A. R.

Art. 32. To see if the town will vote to allow the heirs of the late Samuel P. Frost such taxes as may be assessed upon the property of his estate, if they shall keep the road leading from the house of the said heirs by the house of Mason F. Frost in a suitable condition of repair for the ensuing year.

Art. 33. To see if the town will vote to fix a date when all taxes for the year A. D., 1909, shall become due and payable to the Collector.

Art. 34. To see if the town will vote to charge interest and at what rate, and at what time interest shall commence on taxes not paid.

Art. 35. To see if the town will vote to buy commercial Bonds for the Treasurer and Collector, or either of them, for the ensuing year.

Art. 36. To see if the town will vote to accept the list of jurors prepared by the Town Clerk, Selectmen and Town Treasurer.

Art. 37. To see if the town will vote to have all poll taxes, assessed in the year 1909 made payable July 1st, 1909.

Art. 38. To see if the town will vote to protect the town from moth pests, and provide means therefor.

The selectmen give notice that they will be in session at the assessors' office for the purpose of receiving names and correcting the list of voters, on Saturday, the 27th day of February instant.

Given under our hands this 15th day of February. A. D. 1909.

D. S. SANBORN,
H. ARTHUR ROBBINS,
HARRY F. GREENLEAF,
} *Selectmen of Norway.*

A true copy, attest:—F. W. SANBORN, Publisher of the Norway (Me.) ADVERTISER.

Vital Statistics

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE.

To the Selectmen of the Town of Norway:

Gentlemen:—The following returns of births, marriages and deaths have been made to this office for the year 1908.

GEORGE L. CURTIS, Town Clerk.

SUMMARY.

BIRTHS.

Number of births	65
" males	41
" females	24

MARRIAGES.

Number of marriages	37
Grooms, number of widowers	5
" " divorced	3
" oldest at date of marriage	63
" youngest " "	17
" average " "	32
Brides, number of widows	3
" " divorced	7
" oldest at date of marriage	56
" youngest " "	16
" average " "	27

DEATHS.

Number of deaths	55
" males	25
" females	30
Oldest person at date of death	88 years, 11 months, 24 days
Youngest " " "	4 hours
Average age " "	58 years, 5 months, 13 days

BIRTHS.

Jan.	2,	To the wife of Lee M. Smith, a son, 3d chiid.
	8,	To the wife of A. L. Wyman, a son, 5th child.
	14,	To the wife of Alexander Boulanger, a daughter, 3d child.
	15,	To the wife of Napoleon Beaudoin, a son, 1st child.
	17,	To the wife of William D. Moore, a son, 1st child.
	30,	To the wife of Harry F. Ford, a son, 1st child.
Feb.	2,	To the wife of Wm. F. Young, a daughter, 2d child.
	5,	To the wife of E. E. Witt, a son, 2d child.
	11,	To the wife of Fred Locke, a son, 1st child.
	14,	To the wife of Alix Gagne, a son, 6th child.
	16,	To the wife of Arthur D. Littlefield, a daughter, 1st child.
	21,	To the wife of O. L. Stone, a daughtet, 4th child.
	22,	To the wife of Chas. A. Cushman, a son, 3d child.
	26.	To the wife of L. D. Truman, a son, 1st child.
Apr.	5,	To the wife of Ellsworth Murch, a daughter, 3d child.
	11,	To the wife of F. D. Thurston, a son, 2d child.
	17,	To the wife of Philip DeCoteau, a daughter, 6th child.
	23,	To the wife of Montelle Bradbury, a son, 3d child.
	28,	To the wife of H. P. Frost, a son, 2d child.
May	6,	To the wife of Edward Perreault, a son, 3d child.
	8,	To the wife of Guy L. Walker, a daughter, 1st child.
	16,	To the wife of M. M. Kilgore, a son, 4th child.
	16,	To the wife of Edmund Labossire, a daughter, 4th child.
	20,	To the wife of Joseph A. Woods, a daughter, 7th child.
	21,	To the wife of Benjamin P. Bullock, a daughter, 3d child.
June	7,	To the wife of Chas. F. Boober, a son, 2d child.
	9,	To the wife of Hubert E. York, a son, 2d child.
	10,	To the wife of Walter W. Purington, a son, 5th child.
	13,	To the wife of Arthur Taillon, a son, 3d child.
	16,	To the wife of Paul Locke, a daughter, 8th child.
	20,	To the wife of Philip H. McAllister, a daughter, 2d child,
	20,	To the wife of Fred E. Smith, a daughter, 1st child.
	30,	To the wife of Frank E. DeCoster, a son, 3d child.
July	19,	To the wife of Adelbert E. Libby, a son, 6th child.
	22,	To the wife of John M. Frank, a daughter, 4th child.
Aug.	3,	To the wife of Frank LaFrance, a daughter, 12th child.
	4,	To the wife of Llewellyn Cushman, a daughter, 1st child.
	6,	To the wife of Ephraim Dubey, a daughter, 6th child.
	7,	To the wife of Joseph E. Corribeau, a son, 1st child.
	8,	To the wife of Earl B. Barker, a son, 3d child.
	9,	To the wife of Chester A. Flint, a son, 3d child.
	10,	To the wife of Walter C. Smith, a son, 1st child.

Sept. 15, To the wife of David F. Foster, a son, 8th child.
16, To the wife of Burton Truman, a son, 2d child.
20, To the wife of Ned E. Ordway, a son, 2d child.
Oct. 1, To the wife of G. K. Robinson, a daughter, 1st child.
4, To the wife of P. H. Nevers, a daughter, 6th child.
5, To the wife of W. A. Lewis, a son, 4th child.
8, To the wife of Herbert Eugene Stevens, a son, 1st child.
14, To the wife of Fred Gerry Dunn, a son, 1st child.
20, To the wife of D. L. Joslin, a son, 4th child.
25, To the wife of Randall O. Porter, a daughter, 1st child.
26, To the wife of Ernest H. Maxim, a son, 4th child.
28, To the wife of Charles R. Payne, a son, 6th child.
30, To the wife of H. H. Glidden, a son, 3d child.
Nov. 6, To the wife of Wm. F. Brown, a daughter, 5th child.
8, To the wife of Asa E. Swift, a daughter, 4th child.
14, To the wife of Wilbur M. Tucker, a son, 4th child.
17, To the wife of Eugene D. Millett, a son, 6th child.
26, To the wife of John Kimball Chase, a son, 3d child.
Dec. 7, To the wife of John Joseph Delehanty, a son, 1st child.
9, To the wife of William M. Noble, a daughter, 1st child.
15, To the wife of W. S. Sloan, a daughter, 4th child.
16, To the wife of Harry Isaacson, a son, 3d child.
19, To the wife of Chester O. Holden, a son, 1st child.

FROM OTHER TOWNS.

April 26, In Canton, Me., to the wife of Chas. W. Ethridge, a son, 1st child.

RECORD OF MARRIAGES FOR THE YEAR 1908.

In Paris, January 28, by Alfred S. Kimball, Esq., Charles S. Penley, age 63, and Mary A. Judkins, age 56, both of Norway.

In South Paris, February 5, by Rev. James H. Little, Edwin Philip Lovejoy, age 26, and Bertha Lunett Hazeltine, age 32, both of Norway.

In Norway, February 15, by Rev. Edward S. Cotton, Walter Cameron Smith, age 19, and Vesta Viola Frost, age 22, both of Norway.

In Norway, February 23, by Rev. James A. Carey, Harry Willington Burrill, age 27, and Agnes Nellie Josephine Seguin, age 20, both of Norway.

In Norway, March 14, by Rev. B. S. Rideout, Eugene H. Stevens, age 26, of Norway, and Eunice May Davis, age 19, of South Paris.

In Norway, March 21, by Rev. C. A. Brooks, Charles W. Ethridge, age 20, of Norway, and Ida M. Reed, age 20, of Canton.

In Norway, March 29, by Rev. Edward S. Cotton, Fred L. Faneuf, age 30, and Florence M. Starbird, age 23, both of Norway.

In Norway, April 25, by Rev. B. S. Rideout, Herbert N. Black, age 30, and Lelia M. Gammon, age 22, both of Norway.

In Norway, May 12, by William F. Jones, Esq., Samuel Baker Stuart, age 36, and Ollye Louisa Hicks, age 35, both of Harrison.

In Norway, May 16, by Rev. S. G. Davis, Alger I. Millett, age 26, and Florence E. Buswell, age 22, both of Norway.

In Norway, June 1, by Rev. B. S. Rideout, Ralph V. Jacobs, age 17, and Clara R. Hazleton, age 22, both of Norway.

In Norway, June 3, by Rev. B. S. Rideout, Asa O. Bartlett, age 35, and Lottie Sarah Dunn, age 22, both of Norway.

In Norway, June 10, by Rev. C. A. Brooks, George A. Haskell, age 63, of Harrison, and Elizabeth A. Bean, aged 54, of Norway.

In Norway, June 11, by Rev. C. A. Brooks, William H. Stone, age 50, and Adelaide M. Huxford, age 35, both of Norway.

In Norway, June 16, by Rev. Edward S. Cotton, Luther Fred Pike, age 30, and Florence May Cross, age 29, both of Norway.

In Norway, June 20, by Eugene F. Smith, Esq., Chester O. Holden, age 26, and Eva Bouchard, age 20, both of Norway.

In West Paris, August 9, by Rev. D. R. Ford, Daniel Osgood Hill, age 20, of Norway, and Eva Marion Marshall, age 24, of Paris.

In Norway, August 10, by Rev. G. E. Manter, Girard N. Bass, age 26, of Portland, and Winona M. Cumner, age 29, of Norway.

In Norway, August 29, by Rev. A. Edward Scott, Alfred J. Dyer, age 22, and Marguerite Alice Henry, age 22, both of Norway.

In South Paris, September 12, by Rev. James H. Little, George Earl Emerson, age 21, of Norway, and Alice May Howe, age 20, of Paris.

In Norway, September, 12, by Rev. B. S. Rideout, Carl Leighton, age 28, of Norway, and Mabel Benson Collins, age 25, of Lowell, Mass.

In Yarmouthville, September 21, by Rev. M. F. Drain, John J. Delehanty, age 22, and Marjorie M. Edwards, age 19, both of Norway.

In Norway, September 22, by Rev. B. S. Rideout, Harry Lincoln Patch, age 35, and Sadie Elizabeth Millett, age 35, both of Norway.

In Norway, September 22, by Rev. Jessie E. Jordan, Vernell A. Rich, age 23, and Edith May Pierce, age 24, both of Norway.

In Andover, September, 30, by Rev. Thomas H. Derrick, Alton J. Millett, age 31, of Norway, and Emma D. Jordan, age 29, of Rumford.

In Norway, October 1, by Rev. C. A. Brooks, Harry L. Wing, age 24, and Lula Ida Merrill, age 19, both of Norway.

In Bryant's Pond, October 10, by A. Mont Chase, Esq., Eliab Ray Frost, age 23, of Norway, and Fannie Jenett Goodwin, age 23, of Woodstock.

In Mechanic Falls, October, 12, by Mildred F. Millett, duly authorized, Fred William Noble, age 45, and Hattie C. Fox, age 47, both of Norway.

In Norway, October 13, by Rev. B. S. Rideout, James Edwin Cole, Jr., age 35, and Mary Elizabeth House, age 30, both of South Paris.

In Paris, October 14, by Rev. James H. Little, Stuart Walton Goodwin, age 24, of Norway, and Margaret Stearns, age 22, of Paris.

In Norway, November 5, by Rev. B. S. Rideout, Harold Alonzo Bailey, age 19, of Oxford, and Helen Marguerite Millett, age 16, of Norway.

In Lisbon Falls, November, 21 by Rev. F. B. Fickett, Wallace F. Hunt, age 33, and Winona Louise Edwards, age 22, both of Norway.

In South Paris, November 25, by Rev. James H. Little, Guy Allen Buck, age 22, of South Paris, and Henrietta Mabel Gammon, age 24, of Norway.

In Norway, December 6, by Rev. B. S. Rideout, Charles S. Bartlett, age 36, and Grace Elwell Smith, age 27, both of Auburn.

In South Paris, December 9, by Rev. James H. Little, Crockett Clark Record, age 22, of South Paris, and Lucinda Mae Everett, age 22 of Norway.

In Freeport, December 12, by Rev. Caroline E. Angell, Charles Carroll, age 34, and Nina W. Keyes, age 26, both of Norway.

In Norway, December 24, by Rev. B. S. Rideout, Charles Stuart Colwell, age 22, of South Hancock, and Emma Sybil McCrellis, age 23, of Norway.

DEATHS.

January 13, Martha Q. Lovejoy, age 79 years. Birthplace, Portland. Cause of death, senile dementia.

January 25, Sebastian Streeter Smith, age 88 years, 11 months, 24 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, chronic nephritis.

January 30, Augustus N. French, age 62 years, 7 months, 9 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, heart failure.

February 2, Dorcas D. Barrows, age 77 years, 9 months, 11 days. Birthplace, Auburn. Cause of death, la grippe.

February 3, Wm. Henry Hillier, age 75 years, 9 months. Birthplace, Rockport, Mass. Cause of death, chronic nephritis.

February 6, William Edward Witt, age 4 hours. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, inanition.

February 7, Calista Richardson, age 73 years. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, heart disease.

February 13, George E. Horr, age 67 years, 2 months, 6 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, Bright's disease.

March 5, Harriett A. Jackson, age 76 years, 11 months. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, dementia.

March 5, Harriett Bean Swett, age 78 years. Birthplace, Paris. Cause of death, organic disease of heart.

March 14, Mary A. Gerry, age 88 years, 11 months, 1 day. Birthplace, Poland, Me. Cause of death, cerebral embolism.

March 14, Fred E. Jordan, age 26 years, 9 months, 2 days. Birthplace, Waterford. Cause of death, phthisis.

March 17, Anna K. Allen, age 71 years, 10 months, 22 days. Birthplace, Harrison. Cause of death, chronic mitral endocarditis.

March 25, Eliza Ann Brackett, age 67 years. Birthplace, Otisfield, Cause of death, cardiac asthma.

March 31, Mark Pride, age 39 years, 5 months, 13 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, heart disease.

April 2, Sophia M. Johns, age 88 years, 2 months, 5 days. Birthplace, Pubnico, N. S. Cause of death influenza.

April 11, Lucy E. Carter. age 76 years, 5 months, 9 days. Birthplace, Turner. Cause of death, cardiac asthma.

April 17, Caroline M. Fiske, age 77 years, 7 months. Birthplace, Salina, N. Y. Cause of death, cancer of intestines.

April 17, Mary Ann Buchanan, age 82 years, 1 month, 2 days. Birthplace, New Brunswick. Cause of death, chronic myocarditis.

April 23, Albinus Bicknell, age 75 years, 8 months, 23 days. Birthplace, Hebron. Cause of death, apoplexy.

April 27, John Frye Rice, age 83 years, 4 months, 13 days. Birthplace, Waterford. Cause of death, prostatic hypertrophy and cystitis.

April 27, Charles W. Partridge, age 74 years. Birthplace, Poland, Me. Cause of death, cancer of liver.

April 30, Chipman D. Haines, age 29 years, 9 months, 1 day. Birthplace, Nova Scotia. Cause of death, phthisis pulmonaris.

May 2, Eunice A. French, age 69 years, 2 months, 17 days. Birthplace, New Sharon. Cause of death, organic disease of heart.

May 7, Elizabeth S. Blake, age 86 years, 8 months, 20 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, arterio selerosis.

May 8, Ethelyn A. Herrick, age 28 years, 8 months, 24 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, toxaemia of pregnancy.

May 11, William C. Cole, age 62 years. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, valvular disease of heart.

May 13, Annie Rhea Moore, age 18 years, 1 month, 14 days. Birthplace, Grafton, Ont. Cause of death, hysteria with exhaustion and tubercular cerebral grannloma.

May 16, Rose Noyes, age 27 years, 2 months, 3 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, toxaemia of pregnancy.

June 1, Sarah E. Legrow, age 71 years, 1 month, 22 days. Birthplace, Portland. Cause of death, diabetes.

June 4, Mary McKay, age 69 years, 7 months, 2 days. Birthplace, Clyde River, N. S. Cause of death, acute indigestion and heart failure.

June 7, stillborn child of Chas. and Edith Boober. Birthplace, Norway.

June 10, Betsey Greenleaf, age 81 years, 5 months, 9 days. Birthplace, Paris. Cause of death, senile debility.

June 15, Thomas Dyer, age 85 years, 6 months. Birthplace, Raymond. Cause of death, hypertrophy of prostate gland, and senility.

June 18, Orin Kimball, age 79 years, 11 months, 12 days. Birthplace, Lovell. Cause of death, chronic valvular endocarditis.

July 15, Albert Beaudoin, age 6 months. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, broncho pnenmonia complicating ileo-colitis.

July 23, Howard Allen Staples, age 11 months, 19 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, pericarditis.

August 7, Clara Ames, age 81 years, 5 months, 12 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, spinal apoplexy.

August 25, Arthur Warren Taillon, age 2 months, 10 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, acute ileo-colitis.

September 21, Sarah S. Cummings, age 68 years, 11 months, 13 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, cancer of uterus.

September 24, Mary A. Frost, age 67 years, 3 months. Birthplace Waterford. Cause of death, cancer of face.

October 1, George Irving Purington, age 3 months, 21 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, congenital heart trouble.

October 15, Caroline P. Davis, age 80 years, 1 month. Birthplace, Wayne. Cause of death, chronic mania.

October 26, Amanda T. Hobbs, age 77 years, 2 months, 10 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, pneumonia.

October 30, Delia J. Greeley, age 69 years, 3 days. Birthplace, Belgrade. Cause of death, organic heart disease and acute Bright's disease.

October 31, Georgia N. Pratt, age 44 years, 6 months, 25 days. Birthplace, Greenwood. Cause of death, chronic nephritis.

November 9, Charles Dexter Noble, age 66 years. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, apoplexy.

November 11, Charles R. Flint, age 30 years, 4 months, 15 days. Birthplace, Worcester, Mass. Cause of death, phthisis.

November 18, Fred Lewis Young, age 80 years, 7 months 10 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, chronic interstitial nephritis.

November 27, Mark Wetzler, age 77 years, 7 months, 21 days. Birthplace, Rackendorf, Bavaria. Cause of death, myocarditis.

December 13, Eloise Myra Noble, age 4 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, asphyxia.

December 20, Wm. Robert Hennan, age 49 years. Birthplace, South Boston, Mass. Cause of death, pernicious anemia.

December 20, Ellen Gerry, age 70 years, 6 months, 20 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, acute indigestion.

December 22, Roland Archer Cox, age 11 months, 22 days. Birthplace, Shelburne, N. H. Cause of death, double pneumonia.

December 26, Josephine M. Holden, age 50 years, 3 months, 14 days. Birthplace, Fremont, N. H. Cause of death, pneumonia.

DEATHS REPORTED FROM OTHER TOWNS.

February 10, in Bangor, Theodore Lyman Webb, age 49 years, 2 months, 10 days. Birthplace, North Bridgton. Cause of death, acute nephritis.

April 27, in Waterford, John York Jr., age 78 years, 2 months, 27 days. Birthplace, Albany. Cause of death, chronic diarrhoea and old age.

May 4, in Bethel, Agnes E. Buck, age 30 years. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, pulmonary tuberculosis.

May 28, in Westbrook, Lydia Stuart, age 86 years, 8 months, 22 days. Birthplace, Oxford. Cause of death, apoplexy.

June 19, in Greenwood, Newell L. Peabody, age 51 years, 3 months, 1 day. Birthplace, Albany. Cause of death, apoplexia.

October 15, in Portland, Edith E. Stone, age 7 months. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, meningitis.

October 26, in Lewiston, Frank E. Tower, age 46 years. Cause of death, angina pectoris.

November 14, in Oxford, Cynthia L. Thomas, age 59 years, 9 months, 10 days. Birthplace, Bowdoin. Cause of death, cancer of intestines.

November 14, in Lewiston, Ernest A. Hobbs, age 7 years, 14 days. Birthplace, Norway. Cause of death, intestinal obstruction.

December 12, in Lewiston, Albert O. Sargent, age 34 years, 11 months. Cause of death, cardiac dilitation.

Report of

Board of Health

To the Selectmen of Norway:

The Board of Health have the honor of submitting its annual report for the year ending Jan. 1, 1909.

The number of nuisances reported to us has been unusually small, showing that property owners and householders are taking more interest in sanitation and are not allowing their sink spouts and outhouses to become a source of danger to themselves and neighbors.

We have had no epidemic of any kind during the past year. Contagious diseases reported are as follows: measles, thirteen cases; tuberculosis, three cases; typhoid fever, two cases.

Respectfully Submitted,

H. L. BARTLETT,
FRANK E. DeCOSTER,
DENNIS PIKE,
} Board of Health.

H. L. BARTLETT, Secretary.

Norway Public Library

Treasurer's Report

To the Board of Management of Norway Public Library:

I most respectfully submit the following report for the year ending Jan. 31, 1909:

RECEIPTS.

1908.				
Feb.	1,	To Cash on hand	$ 40 65	
Mar.	28,	Town order No. 11431	75 00	
	31,	Fines collected for 3 months	11 33	
July	1,	Fines collected for 3 months	11 07	
	25,	Town order No. 11721	200 00	
Oct.	1,	Fines collected for 3 months	11 60	
	24,	Town order No. 11895	75 00	
Dec.	5,	Town order No. 12016	175 00	
	28,	Received from trustees of the Hawkins fund	25 07	
1909.				
Jan.	1,	Fines collected by Librarian, 3 mos.	12 48	
	5,	Received from trustees of the H. M. Bearce fund ½ net income	34 79	
	29,	Town order No. 12157	58 71	
		Insurance paid by Selectmen	45 01	
				$775 71

Receipts the past year have been as follows:

Town voted	$550 00
State paid library	63 72
Helen Frost fund	15 00
Hawkins fund	25 07
Bearce fund	34 79
Fines collected	46 48
On hand first of year	40 65
	$775 71

EXPENDITURES.

1908.		
Feb. 1,	Paid W. H. Gould & Co. for N. E. Magazine	$ 2 65
6,	Librarian's salary, 2 weeks	10 00
Mar. 2,	" " " "	10 00
16,	" " " "	10 00
30,	" " " "	10 00
31,	Oil 3 months	1 95
	Repairing 7 chairs	1 75
	4 placards	75
	Mending material	2 03
	Box rent, sweeping powder, paste, mucilage, etc.	2 08
Apr. 13,	Librarian, 2 weeks' salary	10 00
27,	" " " "	10 00
	F. P. Stone, for covering paper	3 18
May 11,	Librarian, 2 weeks' salary	10 00
25,	" " " "	10 00
June 8,	" " " "	10 00
	Loring, Short & Harmon	2 33
22,	Librarian, 2 weeks' salary	10 00
July 1,	Oil, 3 months	1 05
	Paste, glue and mucilage	1 10
	Ink, pens and postage	26
	Sweeping powder and cleaning	1 65
	Lamp wick and brush	35
	Express on books and box rent	1 50
6,	Librarian, 2 weeks' salary	10 00
20,	" " " "	10 00
27,	Loring, Short & Harmon, books	130 83
Aug. 3,	Librarian, 2 weeks' salary	10 00
17,	" " " "	10 00
31,	" " " "	10 00
Sept. 14,	" " " "	10 00
	Dodd, Mead & Co.,	6 00
	P. O. money order	08
28,	Librarian, 2 weeks' salary	10 00
	Oil, 3 months	90
	Glue, sweeping powder, cleaning and mucilage	2 30
	Ink, pens and box rent	80
Oct. 12,	Librarian, 2 weeks' salary	10 00
	Freight on books	50

Oct. 26,	Paid	Librarian, 2 weeks' salary.....	$10 00	
		F. W. Sanborn for 500 cards.....	3 00	
Nov. 9,		Librarian, 2 weeks' salary.....	10 00	
		F. P. Stone for covering paper.....	3 27	
23,		Librarian, 2 weeks' salary.....	10 00	
Dec. 5,		J. Q. Adams & Co., for dictionary..	10 00	
		J. O. Crooker, rent from Feb. 1, 1908 to Feb. 1, 1909.....	120 00	
		J. O. Crooker for heating library, 3 tons coal.....	22 50	
7,		Librarian, 2 weeks' salary.....	10 00	
21,		" " " "	10 00	
1909.				
Jan. 1,		Pens, ink and box rent 3 months..	70	
		Sweeping powder, mending material, cleaning, etc.,.....	4 21	
		Oil, 3 months.....	2 55	
Jan. 4,		Librarian, 2 weeks' salary.....	10 00	
		Wm. H. Gould & Co. for McClure's, Review of Reviews, Cosmopolitan, American, Pearson's, Success, Harper's Monthly, Munsey's, New England Magazine, Ladies' Home Journal, Youth's Companion....	17 00	
18,		Librarian, 2 weeks' salary.....	10 00	
29,		F. Howe, insurance on books.....	45 01	
30,		Loring, Short & Harmon, books...	66 39	
		Librarian, to Feb. 1.....	10 00	
		George A. Brooks, postage, etc.....	1 25	
		To balance, cash on hand.....	49 79	
				$775 71

Estimated outstanding bills..... $15 00

We have this day examined the books and accounts of Geo. A. Brooks, Treasurer of the Norway Public Library, for the year ending Jan. 31st, 1909, and hereby certify that the same are correct. Proper vouchers are on file for all expenditures with cash in hands of Treasurer as stated above.

D. S. SANBORN,
H. ARTHUR ROBBINS, } *Selectmen of Norway.*

Report of

Superintendent of Schools

To the Superintending School Committee and Citizens of Norway:

The annual report of the condition of the schools of the town of Norway is hereby respectfully submitted:

Number of persons in town between the ages of 5 and 21 years, April 1st, 1908 752
Number of tuition pupils 16
Number of pupils enrolled in schools during the year 606
Registration in largest term, fall term, 1908 567
Average attendance, winter term, 1907-1908 473
Average attendance, spring term, 1908 ..... 501.1
Average attendance, fall term, 1908 ..... 515.8

Number of Public Schools and Teachers Employed for the Year, 1908.

High 1
Village common schools, spring term 9
Village common schools, fall and winter 10
Rural common schools, spring and winter 10
Rural common schools, fall term 11
Number of teachers employed, spring 23
Number of teachers employed, fall 25
Number of teachers employed, winter 24
Special teacher of Drawing and Music 1
Number of different teachers employed 30
Number of teachers continued in same school for the year 15
Number of teachers employed who have attended Normal school or college 13
Number of teachers employed who hold State certificates 10
Average number of weeks in common schools for year reported . 32.05

NAME OF SCHOOL	TEACHERS	No. of Pupils Registered	Average Attendance	Per Cent. of Attendance	Visits of Parents and Citizens	Length of School in Weeks	Wages of Teachers a Week
	WINTER TERM 1907-1908						
High	Prin., Percival E. Hathaway	102	96 5	94 6	42	10	$29 42
	S. M., Winthrop H. Stanley						14 70
	Asst., Myrtle M. Blackwood						14 70
	Asst., Caro E. Beverage						12 50
Grade 9	Harriett Abbott	31	26 4	85 1	14	10	10 00
Grades 8 and 7	Grace M. Dudley	48	41 6	86 7	7	10	10 00
Grade Six	Melvinia Green	40	35 5	88 8	43	10	9 00
Grade Five	Alice D. Gammon	36	29 8	82 8	12	10	9 00
Grade Four	Irene F. Hazen	27	23 4	86 7	16	10	9 00
Grade Three	Harriette E. Cragin	29	24 6	84 8	14	10	9 00
Middle Primary	Gertrude Gardner	34	31 6	93	10	10	9 00
Lower Primary	Elizabeth O. Lasselle	30	21 7	70 2	10	10	9 00
Upper Primary	Annie M. Jenne	35	30	85 7	7	10	9 00
Swift	Minnie A. Haskell	15	13 5	90	7	11	6 50
Centre	Adeline S. Brett	12	8 6	72	9	10	6 00
Lake	Mary E. Chaffin	30	28 3	94	13	10	7 00
Pike	Goldie D. Frost	10	8 9	89	2	6	6 00
Yagger	Bessie B. Delano	4	3 8	95	0	10	6 00
Crockett	Leola M. Noyes	4	3 9	96	0	10	6 00
Noble	Tessa R. Thibodeau	18	15 1	83 9	3	11	6 50
Chapel	Augusta H. French	9	7 2	80	2	10	6 50
Pierce	Maude E. Wentworth	13	11	85	6	10	6 50
Holt	Louise M. Shank	14	12 6	90	3	10	6 50
	SPRING TERM 1908.						
High	Prin., Percival E. Hathaway	98	95	96 7	38	11	29 42
	S. M., Winthrop H. Stanley						14 70
	Asst., Myrtle M. Blackwood						14 70
	Asst., Caro E. Beverage						12 50
Grade Nine	Harriett Abbott	28	26 5	94 6	54	11	10 00
Grades 8 and 7	John W. Hodgdon	48	46 3	96 4	41	11	12 00
Grade Six	Melvinia Green	39	36 5	93 6	35	11	9 00
Grade Five	Alice D. Gammon	35	31 5	90	15	11	9 00
Grade Four	Irene F. Hazen	26	23 4	90	21	11	9 00
Grade Three	Harriette E. Cragin	30	27 7	92	26	11	9 00
Middle Primary	Gertrude Gardner	35	32 2	92	35	11	9 00
Lower Primary	Elizabeth O. Lasselle	32	28 3	89	35	11	9 00
Upper Primary	Annie M. Jenne	36	30 2	84	34	11	9 00
Swift	Minnie A. Haskell	15	13 6	90 7	5	10	6 50
Centre	Adeline S. Brett	15	13 8	92	22	10	6 00
Lake	Mary E. Chaffin	31	29 3	94 5	20	10	7 00
Pike	Goldie D. Frost	13	11 3	87	2	12	6 00
Crockett	Vida E. Jenne	4	3 9	97	1	10	6 50
Millett	Annie E. Gibson	8	7 5	94	16	10	6 00
Noble	Leola M. Noyes	19	14 8	78	6	10	6 50
Chapel	Augusta H. French	6	5 8	97	0	11	6 50
Pierce	Esca A. Mains	10	8 7	87	2	10	6 50
Holt	Helen R. Cole	16	14 7	92	29	10	7 00
	FALL TERM 1908.						
High	Prin., Percival E. Hathaway	124	118 8	95 8	34	12	32 35
	S. M., Winthrop H. Stanley						23 23
	Asst., Myrtle M. Blackwood						14 70
	Asst., Caro E. Beverage						12 50
Grade Nine	Harriett Abbott	25	23 9	95 2	6	12	10 00
Grade Eight	Celia L. Abbott	21	19 3	92	3	12	9 00
Grade Seven	Melvinia Green	37	35 2	95	10	12	9 00
Grade Six	Alice D. Gammon	25	24 2	86 4	0	12	9 00
Grade Five	Helen A. Akers	34	28 9	80 5	5	12	9 00
Grade Four	Mary E. Chaffin,	27	25 8	96	13	12	9 00
Grade Three	Harriette E. Cragin	30	27 8	92 3	11	12	9 00
Middle Primary	Annie M. Jenne,	35	32 7	93 4	18	12	9 00
Lower Primary	Elizabeth O. Lasselle	35	33	86 5	6	12	9 00
Upper Primary	Gertrnde Gardner	31	28 1	91	12	12	9 00
Swift	Minnie A. Haskell	11	9 6	87 2	11	11	6 50
Centre	Goldie D. Frost	10	8 4	84	3	11	6 00
Lake	Leola M. Noyes	30	28 2	94	18	10	7 00
Pike	Adeline S. Brett	10	9	90	9	11	6 50
Frost	Sara A. Danforth	8	6 5	81	0	11	6 00
Crockett	Vida E. Jenne	6	5 3	88 3	0	11	6 00
Millett	Annie E. Gibson	7	6	87 5	8	11	6 50
Noble	Sarah A. Freeman	16	12 6	78 7	5	11	6 50
Chapel	Augusta H. French	14	10 7	76 4	12	11	6 50
Pierce	Janette L. Russell	9	8 3	92	2	12	6 50
Holt	Josephine P. Shedd	19	16 2	85 2	8	11	6 50

The present year concludes a ten year term of service as Superintendent of schools, a period of continuous effort for the betterment of the condition of the children and youth of our town.

Ten years ago Norway maintained a free high school by the precarious and questionable method of raising for its support $500 annually, and adding to this the $250 stipend received from the State together with such further amount as was needed for teachers' salaries purloined from the appropriation for common schools.

Whence had arisen a deficit in our school account of $1571.86, charged to our common schools.

Ten years ago four only of our village common schools were seated in separate rooms and supplied with teachers commensurate with their needs. Of the other five grades the first, second and third were crowded together in groups of fifties, one teacher attempting to instruct all at one time, and the eighth and ninth grades were huddled in what is now the room of grade eight.

The changes that are noted below have been numerous and radical, but they have been gradually evolved, and steadily progressive, save for the year 1907, when the inevitable lapse of a town careless in her local politics revived the old evil of neglect of the grammar grades.

The first recommendation of the present superintendent was that a sum sufficient to support our high school be raised; and it was done.

As soon as possible, without entailing too great a burden of taxation, an addition to the central school building was erected and the crowded condition of the grades remedied, grades two and one being distributed in three rooms, giving an average of less than 36 pupils to a teacher, each other grade being afforded a room and a teacher. My report, printed in the spring of 1900, shows that under the conditions existing for the first year of my service, 88.17 per cent. of the pupils registered attended our schools; the report this year shows that, in the fall of 1908, 94.76 per cent. of the pupils registered attended for the term.

No comment on this notable improvement is called for.

Year after year the Town at its annual meeting has called for better equipment, and year by year you have received better results.

The introduction of instruction in drawing and music, made in a small way in 1905, and coutinued with ever increasing efficiency, set a milestone of progress in our dealing with our children.

The popularity of our high school and its steadily growing reputation throughout the State and New England, as a standard secondary school, has been equalled by your wise expenditure of money for its support.

There were 81 pupils in attendance at Norway High School in the year of my first report as Superintendent.

At the present writing Mr. Hathaway and his able assistants minister to the needs of 126.

Think for a minute what it means that a town of our size registers 126 pupils in a standard high school.

According to the last published report of the State Superintendent of schools there were six towns and cities that registered from 118 to 130 pupils, and the population of those six towns averages 5967, according to the census of 1900, which gave us a population of but 2902.

Again I suggest that the condition above stated calls for no comment from your Superintendent as to whether it is creditable or otherwise.

And while the taxpayers of those six cities and towns that nearest approach us in size of high school raised for Free High school an average appropriation of $3274.17. Norway was asked last spring to raise for that purpose only $2250.

It is true that we should have appropriated a few dollars more, but we have placed Norway High school where it is at an expenditure of about ⅔ what it costs towns maintaining schools of similar size, according to their reports.

Eighty-one pupils were instructed in our high school ten years ago by three teachers. In 1907 it was necessary to engage the fourth teacher and provide additional room for the seating of pupils and conducting recitations.

The town voted to build a primary building, and thus vacate a room for the over-flow from the high school.

The town fathers for that year refused to carry out the vote of the town, and for twelve months we back-slid educationally, huddling the two lower grammar grades, children in the most trying years of their school life, into a room equipped for 30 pupils, and giving them one teacher where their predecessors had had two.

Nature rebelled, parents could not insist on attendance under the conditions, and on their fifteenth birthdays pupils of the seventh and eighth grades "left school."

You have to-day, of Norway children, in grades nine and eight, forty-four pupils where there should be sixty. It is is safe to say Norway will not leave important work again in the hands that failed her in 1907.

During the past summer the new school building, twice voted, was erected on Tucker street, and there are no rooms now kept closed to the visitors from other towns or cities, and no spots to apologize for to-day.

You may not have noticed the condition of general excellence in the Norway School Department, but others have, and we have enjoyed the services in our village schools of teachers of a far better grade of talent than our wages paid can guarantee, because it has proved to former teachers a good experience to teach for a time in Norway, Maine.

And in the printed report of the State Superintendent of Schools for 1907 on Page 90, you may read the statement of a committee consisting of Prof. W. B. Mitchell, Bowdoin College, Prin. D. T. Harthorn, Wilton Academy, and Prin. J. W. Taylor, Freeport High School, "appointed to determine as far as possible the status of English intruction in the secondary schools of Maine." The conclusion of these gentlemen reads as follows: "Of the courses sent to the committee the most carefully outlined are the following, the first from Deering High School, the second from Norway High School."

The steadily increasing percentage of attendance in our schools of all grades, and the improved quality of their work is due in no small measure to the use of a course of study for the common schools of Norway, prepared by your Superintendent in 1903 and printed for every teachers' use.

By compliance with the requirements therein specified the pupil proceeds from term to term and enters the high school equipped to do the work prescribed therefor.

Upon the whole the result of this year's work is the best I have been privileged to report.

We have little to show for the money expended in one of the village rooms last spring, and in one rural school the past fall, but that only two out of the thirty teachers engaged met with disaster is a reasonable measure of good fortune.

As instructor in Drawing and Music, Miss Sarah Annette Washburn began with us in the fall term. She is well trained, a graduate of a Massachusetts Normal school and the Lowell Normal Art School. She is skilled, resourceful and enthusiastic and I predict for her success. Her earnings for the year will be $450.

At the graduating exercises held in the Opera House, on June 4, 1908, the graduates were,

Blynne Allen,	Henry Knox Bickford,
Sara Adnah Danforth,	Harry Frye Downing,
Sarah Alice Freeman,	Pearl Eva Lulu Harriman,
Harry Lennon Horne,	Jennie Emma Mann,
Walter Mayford Mann,	Elizabeth Myrtle Millett,
Maud Rose Mixer,	Maud Ellen Pike,
Florence Annie Rideout,	Janette Louise Russell,
Josephine Barker Stearns,	Homer Dean Tubbs.

The Don C. Seitz prize for excellence in course was awarded to Maud Ellen Pike.

In August, 1907, the ladies of the Veranda Club offered, subject to the approval of the Superintending School Committee, a cash prize of ten dollars to be awarded the member of grade nine who for the succeeding three terms maintained highest rank.

The School Committee accepted the proposal and at the end of the spring term the prize was presented by a delegation from the Club to Marjorie Louise Barker.

Ten years of office is a long tenure. But it has quickly passed and of the results of the efforts of children and teachers I am justly proud.

It is my last year as Superintendent of Schools, and I beg you to read the recommendations below, as made in the interest of your children and mine.

Let us agree to maintain the high standard already set, and so far as our resources will permit let us keep abreast of the march of progress in matters educational.

To this end let me call to your attention the provisions of a statute enacted in March 1907 relating to professional superintendency of schools by union of two or more towns, Sections 40-45 of Chap. 15. Revised Statutes as amended.

Without quoting their somewhat lengthy provisions, they authorize a town like ours to unite with another in the employment of a Superintendent, who shall have won a State certificate, and will devote his entire time to the business of Superintendent of Schools.

He shall receive as salary the amount voted by the towns of the union district and twice as much more from the State treasury. He is to be elected by joint ballot of the Superintending School Committees of the towns, and shall divide his time proportionally with the fraction of his salary paid by each town.

Thus if Norway should appropriate $300 for Superintendent of Schools' salary and another town $100 for employment of the same Superintendent, the State would pay him $800.

Norway and the other town of the union would then have a $1200 man as Superintendent of Schools. The condition precedent is that each town at its annual meeting should vote to employ a district superintendent.

You have had one-third of my time as superintendent.

It has cost you, with what you have paid your school committee, about $400 annually.

We would secure better supervision of our schools by uniting with a small neighboring town, would have three-fourths of the superintendent's time and effort, and we can have all this at a *saving* of about $100 a year.

I unhesitatingly recommend a union with the town of Oxford, if the people of Oxford will assent.

The increase in State aid for common schools, a mill and a half instead of a mill tax, available for the first time this year, renders it possible for us to maintain schools for 35 weeks each year, pay our common school teachers the market price, and *decrease* our annual appropriation for the support of common schools.

There are some still living, and voting, who attended school two terms a year or less, and who point with pride to their attainments and argue for a short school year. All intelligent communities elsewhere are lengthening the school year, and I hope our school authorities will provide not less than thirty-four weeks for the children to do the year's work in. They will then have eighteen weeks, more than a third of the year, for play time.

School work has been of the pleasantest that I have ever done.

It is with regret that I lay it down. My relations with the people of Norway, whose opinions are worthy of regard, have been always pleasant, and to them I again tender my sincere thanks for their aid. Let us each resolve that in the future our attitude toward the schools of the town shall be ever helpful. Let us hold up the hands of the new Superintendent.

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. P. BARNES.

Norway, Me., Jan. 31, 1909.

Report of the Superintending School Committee

The Superintending School Committee, of the town of Norway, composed of William F. Jones, member for one year, George E. Tubbs, member for two years, and Herman L. Horne, member for three years, met for organization March 5, 1908, and elected William F. Jones as chairman and Charles P. Barnes, superintendent of schools and secretary, delegating to the superintendent the same duties as on the preceding year. On May 29, the Committee decided to purchase the present Tucker Street schoolhouse lot and advertise for bids for the erection of a primary schoolhouse as voted by the town. Bids were later received, ranging in amount from $1197, bid of I. N. Small and C. E. Higgins, to $1495. The lowest bid was accepted and the contract let to Small and Higgins.

Agreeably to the terms of the contract, with some slight additions, the building was erected, furnished, and opened to pupils at the beginning of the fall term.

The doings of the Committee are shown in the report of their expenditure of the funds placed at their disposal as follows:

COMMON SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

	DR.	
To Bal. 1907 appropriation	$1,704 67	
1908 "	4,000 00	
Amount received from State	2,998 42	
		$8,703 09

	CR.	
By Teachers' wages and board	$4,965 00	
Conveyance and board of pupils	314 65	
Janitors' services	407 70	
Fuel	572 32	
Balance in treasurer's hands	2,443 42	
		$8,703 09

FREE HIGH SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

	DR.	
To Bal. 1907 appropriation	$ 305 38	
1908 "	2,250 00	
Amount received from State	125 00	
" " " tuition	259 00	
		$2,939 38

	CR.	
By Teachers' wages and board	$2,591 50	
Unexpended balance	347 88	
		$2,939 38

DRAWING AND MUSIC ACCOUNT.

	DR.	
To Bal. 1907 appropriation	$124 06	
1908 "	500 00	
		$624 06

	CR.	
By Teacher's wages and board	$429 00	
Teams for teacher	24 50	
Supplies	44 07	
Unexpended balance	126 49	
		$624 06

INSURANCE, APPARATUS, APPLIANCES, ETC., ACCOUNT.

	DR.	
To Bal. 1907 appropriation	$ 24 57	
1908 "	550 00	
Appliances and paper sold	41 51	
		$616 08

	CR.	
By Insurance	$134 20	
Paper, practice, language, theme, and spelling	90 99	
Apparatus and supplies for physics and chemistry	19 39	

By	Two cases toilet paper	$ 12 00
1200	Examination blanks	12 00
20	Gross steel pens	7 10
10	Gross pencils	12 78
5	Pounds erasers	3 10
250	Alphabet cards	2 50
12	Pointers	1 20
8	Punches	1 60
	Paste and book supports	47
	Kindergarten material for Millett school	3 78
	" " Lake "	1 80
	" " Middle Primary	3 33
	" " Upper "	5 45
	" " Lower "	4 40
	Manuals and phonic cards	6 75
	Sheet songs	4 54
	Filling diplomas	6 40
4	Gross hooks	3 80
	F. W. Sanborn, supplies, advertising and printing	32 35
	Fire extinguishers	15 00
	Engineer's certificate	2 00
6	Teachers' Registers	4 50
5	Gal. disinfectant	4 25
	Waste baskets	1 50
	Repairs on clock	1 00
300	Spelling blanks	3 55
4	Doz. black board erasers	2 83
5	Doz. pencil sharpener disks	75
2	Gross rulers	1 60
1	Can ink powder	1 75
160	Composition books	2 56
	One-half cost of tuning piano	1 38
8	Chairs	6 00
10	Gross steatite crayon	3 00
	H. L. Horne, materials	5 80
	Soda ash for boiler	86
	Water jar, stove, funnel and fittings	32 70
	Hardware sundries	21 56
	Norway Water Company	56 89
	Window shades	10 85
	Freight, express, cartage and postage	24 96
	Balance unexpended	40 86
		$616 08

NEW BUILDING ACCOUNT.

	DR.	
To amount appropriated		$1,800 00

	CR.	
By Paid Small & Higgins	$1,197 00	
E. C. Winslow for lot	300 00	
H. Pike, plan of building	10 00	
A. H. Andrews Co., for desks, etc.,	126 10	
For slate blackboards	34 11	
For setting blackboards	15 50	
Freight on furniture and slate	25 52	
For setting up furniture	8 00	
For work on ceiling and walls	10 02	
For material not in specifications	15 44	
For labor " "	27 00	
W. F. Jones	8 50	
Balance to repairs account	22 81	
		$1,800 00

REPAIRS ACCOUNT.

	DR.	
To 1908 appropriation	$400 00	
Damage paid by Insurance Co.,	2 50	
Cash unexpended in N. B. account	22 81	
Amount overdrawn	131 57	
		$556 88

	CR.	
By renovating Millettville house	$165 67	
" steam radiators and piping	223 10	
Repairing Pierce schoolhouse	9 13	
" Pike "	1 50	
" Lower Primary "	12 50	
" Furnace	19 02	
11 new High School desks and chairs	48 53	
Opening sewer	3 50	
Materials of hardware dealers	6 53	
Cleaning "Academy"	29 25	
" all other houses and vaults	36 25	
Batteries and wiring	1 90	
		$556 88

This account is the only one that is overdrawn, and it is overdrawn because the town voted to maintain school in the Millett schoolhouse without providing funds to make the building comfortable and fit, and your Committee decided to make the necessary repairs.

The heating plant at the High School building required a large expense, and the Repairs account is overdrawn. We recommend that the town vote to pay the deficit out of the surplus in the Common School account.

Before another school year opens the tubing of the schoolhouse boiler should be renewed, and we recommend an appropriation therefor.

FREE TEXT BOOK ACCOUNT.

		DR.	
To	1908 appropriation	$550 00	
	Books sold	3 00	
			$553 00

		CR.	
By	High School Texts as follows:		
	English Classics	$10 15	
16	Plane Geometry	10 00	
4	Practical Arithmetic	2 19	
9	First Latin	7 50	
10	Cicero	11 10	
6	Caesar Text	2 00	
20	Latin Grammar	17 50	
20	Commercial Arithmetic	19 20	
9	Chemical Analysis	3 83	
1	Encyclopedia Year Book	4 00	
16	Commercial Geography	12 33	
12	French Grammars	9 00	
12	Modern Chemistry	10 56	
28	English Literature	20 23	
10	Physiology	7 50	
5	Physics	5 21	
4	Physical Geography	3 20	
12	Sets Bookkeeping blanks	4 32	
8	Mind and Education	8 34	
			$168 16

COMMON SCHOOL TEXTS.

By	47 Doz. writing books	$21 58	
	80 Grade one readers	20 50	
	2 Grade three readers	67	
	30 Grade eight readers	18 75	
	250 Primary arithmetic	53 83	
	50 Intermediate arithmetic	33 81	
	6 Standard dictionary	10 50	
	20 Seventh grade physiology	9 54	
	60 Speller	8 40	
	20 First steps in geography	7 80	
	50 Grammar school geography	52 08	
	160 First grammar	30 03	
	170 Second grammar	61 20	
			$328 69
	18 Class books	$ 4 50	
	18 Vols. for teachers' desks	16 76	
	Freight, express, cartage, etc	27 68	
			$48 94
	Balance unexpended		7 21
			$503 00

Worn out books have been returned to the publishers in exchange for new volumes purchased and the several firms have deducted from the face of our book bills this year the sum of $73.35, leaving net cost to Norway of text books purchased as above reported.

Crockett and Millettville schools have been maintained, agreeably to vote of the town, but should be consolidated in the future to promote the best interests of the pupils and as a matter of economy for the town. The present policy entails a cost of about $50 a year for each Crockett Ridge pupil.

The Pierce, Swift and Noble school houses should be quite extensively repaired this year, and such repairing will entail an expense of not less than $100 in each.

If the present amount of insurance on school buildings and books is to be kept up, renewals in 1909 will cost not less than $217.00, so that the amount appropriated for Insurance, etc., should be materially increased.

The State appropriation for the support of the Common Schools has been largely increased, as we believe permanently, so that it is not necessary to raise as much money for that department as formerly.

Believing that the School Department should not draw unnecessarily upon other funds of the town we advise that the sum of $131.57 be returned to the Town from the surplus in the Common School fund, to balance our draft in the Repairs account.

We recommend to this Town Meeting the following appropriations:

For Support of common schools	$3,000 00
Drawing and music	500 00
Insurance, apparatus, appliances, etc	675 00
Repairs account	400 00
Repairs on Pierce, Swift and Noble buildings	300 00
Retubing high school boiler	150 00
Free High school	2,450 00
Free text books	500 00

Signed,

WILLIAM F. JONES,
GEO. E. TUBBS,
HERMAN L. HORNE,
Superintending School Committee.

Norway, Me., Jan. 30, 1909.

Road Commissioner's Report

The Selectmen of the Town of Norway:

GENTLEMEN:—I submit herewith my report as road commissioner of the Town of Norway from March 2, 1908, to Oct. 10, 1908.

Yours Truly,

H. W. OXNARD.

Norway, Feb. 5, 1909.

SNOW BREAKING.

Following are items of expense for snow breaking in spring of 1908. The total fails of exactness for the time after March 2 because some bills of a later date were paid by the previous commissioners, while some of the items below include expense incurred before that date.

C. E. Austin	$ 6.70	
Harry Horne	1 80	
Perley Kennerson	4 87	
Wm. White	12 94	
G. W. Wood	40 18	
Walter Pride	6 40	
E. J. Millett	8 60	
A. E. York	1 74	
J. E. Marston	1 80	
C. F. Boober	3 15	
U. S. G. Abbott	2 40	
Roswell Frost	2 40	
O. W. H. Judkins	1 20	
Rob Shank	1 50	
F. H. Hurd	1 25	
S. J. Record	2 20	
		$99 13

GREENLEAF AVENUE BRIDGE.

Orders were drawn for erection of iron bridge on Greenleaf Avenue as follows:

FOR RELAYING ABUTMENTS.

G. W. Wood	$16 50	
T. L. Heath	7 00	
		$23 50

FOR ERECTING, PAINTING AND FLOORING.

G. W. Wood	$3 50	
J. H. Wiles	4 70	
F. W. Murdock	6 00	
H. P. Sawyer	3 25	
C. L. Hathaway	2 28	
		$19 73

STATE ROAD.

It may be of general interest to state that the piece of road selected for improvement this year was chosen by the Selectmen, the general nature of the improvement to be made was advised by the road-commissionor and approved by the State Highway Commissioner, who also furnished detailed specifications for the construction of the road. After completion the road was inspected and approved by the State Highway department.

The improvements made included a rock drain 12 feet in width, 2 feet in depth at center, and 820 feet in length; and a gravel surface 22 feet in width and of same length as the drain. The earth excavated for drain was used to raise a sag in the grade adjoining the south end of the 820 feet piece of road.

The distribution of expense as reported to the State Highway department was as follows:

Rock drain	$248 93	
Surfacing	392 88	
Grading	207 19	
Cleaning right of way	12 00	
		$861 00

Detailed items of expense for State Road:

G. W. Wood,	labor and teams	$202 55	
C. E. Freeman,	" "	113 93	
R. K. Morrill,	" "	133 30	
Walter H. Pride,	" "	52 50	
F. E. Wood,	" "	14 40	
M. E. Kimball,	labor	24 75	
L. M. Gordon,	"	9 75	
Henry White,	"	16 63	
Chas. Holt,	"	19 25	
C. F. Boober,	"	26 45	
C. A. Haskell,	"	16 63	
Oliver Merrill,	"	16 65	
Harrison Hunt,	"	7 00	
Lewis Buswell,	"	26 08	
O. W. H. Judkins,	"	18 73	
John Prince,	"	21 75	
Mellen Thomas,	"	21 00	
Harry Farr,	"	17 25	
F. R. Hill,	"	10 95	
A. L. Hill,	"	10 95	
Lewis Holden,	"	10 95	
Chas. Foster,	"	19 43	
Geo. Ames,	"	9 00	
Arthur Meserve,	"	4 03	
Lester Marr,	"	12 75	
Homer Truman,	"	1 50	
W. H. Buck,	gravel	10 85	
A. Brickett,	"	11 99	
			$861 00

Below are items of expense for summer road work:

G. G. Abbott, labor and team	$ 76 95
U. S. G. Abbott, labor and team	16 95
T. W. Anderson, labor	15 60
C. E. Austin, labor and team	55 16
John Austin, labor and team	3 50
A. M. Babb, labor	7 50
Beach M'f'g Co., road drag	15 00
A. B. Black, road machine parts	6 50
A. Brickett, gravel	5 36
A. E. Brooks, labor	7 50
Orrin Brown, labor and team	24 25

Louis Buswell, labor	$ 33 00
A. R. Clark, bridge plank	22 59
Ed. Cox, labor and team	4 00
L. M. Cox, labor	4 50
Ralph Collins, labor	24 15
A. T. Crooker, labor	9 00
J. O. Crooker, tools, nails, etc	6 57
C. B. Cummings & Sons, bridge, sidewalk plank	56 08
Cummings M'f'g Co., repairing plow	4 50
G. L. Curtis, express on road machine parts	3 25
H. G. Dinsmore, labor and team	15 35
Rollin Dinsmore, labor	6 00
T. B. Doughty, labor and team	14 25
Carroll Delano, labor and team	7 25
Charles Ethridge, labor	23 25
A. B. Farnum, labor and team	47 22
A. P. Farnum, labor and team	4 00
C. E. Freeman, labor and teams	128 15
Leonard Flint, labor and gravel	28 90
C. G. French, labor and team	8 50
J. K. French, labor	15 00
Asa Frost, labor	12 00
Roswell Frost, labor and team	41 75
E. G. Gammon, gravel	5 00
D. F. Goodwin, labor	10 50
L. M. Gordon, labor	3 00
H. F. Greenleaf, labor and bridge plank	17 80
C. A. Haskell, labor	12 75
C. L. Hathaway, lumber for railing	4 60
C. D. Herrick, labor	6 00
W. A. Hersey, labor and team	22 20
A. K. Hill, labor	12 00
A. L. Hill, labor	12 00
F. R. Hill, labor	21 00
H. L. Hill, labor	10 50
E. J. Hobbs, labor and team	6 52
G. W. Hobbs, tile pipe	2 53
L. F. Holden, labor	15 00
Charles Holt, labor	1 50
C. W. Horne, gravel	3 00
Harry Horne, labor	90
Mrs. J. A. Horne, gravel	33 90
F. H. Hurd, sharpening tools, repairing road machine, etc	39 30

O. W. H. Judkins, labor	$ 29 20
Adna Keene, labor	2 25
A. D. Kilgore, sharpening tools, etc	3 75
E. Kimball, labor	1 50
M. E. Kimball, labor	65 95
R. E. Kimball, labor	22 30
Fred Knightly, labor and team	81 00
H. J. Lea, labor	1 50
W. C. Leavitt Co, tools, dynamite, etc	39 36
Chas. Lemeuix, labor	7 50
Frank Locke, "	7 50
A. G. Lovejoy, labor and teams	144 05
Lester Marr, labor	33 75
Arthur Meserve, "	13 50
Otis Magoon, "	4 50
A. J. & F. L. Millett, labor and teams	67 50
C. F. Millett, " "	8 25
E D. Millett, " "	54 00
D. E. Mills, " "	18 75
Frank Mills, labor	9 00
R. K. Morrill, labor and teams	94 00
Ellsworth Murch, labor	28 50
F. W. Murdock, repairing road machine	4 44
W. L. Newcomb, labor and teams	46 80
F. S. Packard, " "	27 50
Partridge Bros., bridge plank and cedar posts	9 78
C. S. Penley, labor and team	14 00
F. H. Perry, labor	1 05
F. N. Pierce, labor and team	68 97
W. H. Pride, " "	83 00
John Prince, labor	72 45
S. J. Record, sharpening tools	3 48
Levi Richardson, labor and team	4 00
J. Robdeau, labor	15 00
F. W. Stiles, "	2 10
Carl Stearns, "	6 00
Mellen Thomas, labor	3 75
F. P Towne, labor and team	109 30
Bert Truman, labor	4 65
Homer Truman, "	30 00
E. B. Tubbs, labor and team	4 50
A. W. Walker & Son, ½ Oak Avenue sidewalk	68 60
G. L. Walker, labor	6 75
J. H. Wiles, "	3 25

Tom Williams, labor	$ 15 00	
G. W. Wood, labor and teams	612 35	
G. W. Wood, Jr., labor	57 00	
R. I. Wood, labor	1 50	
W. F. Young, labor and team	4 05	
		$3,010 41

Distribution of expense of summer road work was approximately as follows:

Tools and repairs on same	$ 88 32	
Gravel, plank, spikes, dynamite, etc	177 52	
Road machine work	676 17	
General maintenance other than last item	2,068 40	
		$3,010 41

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